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FATHER TIME: "What! You say you can't go on and be 1938, and there's a lot of men fighting outside, and . . . !"

Editor's Comment: The reason for the tears is that the New Year begins when so much of the world appears to be under wrong control. Shift the control from evil to good, from self to Christ, and all will be made right

The Army's Doctrines

WHAT WE BELIEVE

1.—IN THE BIBLE

THE Bible is the book upon which The Salvation Army bases both its faith (what it believes) and its practice (what it does). By speaking of it as The Bible, we mean that it is the book, or the book of books—there is no other like it.

Its sixty-six books were written during a period of between 1,500 and 1,600 years. Its authors, about forty in number, include warriors and statesmen, kings and peasants, prophets and priests, fishermen and herdsmen.

In spite of the many differences of its separate books, the Bible manifests a marvellous oneness of spirit, purpose, and plan, which makes its readers feel that it is a single harmonious whole. Its several parts fit in with and are necessary to each other; they all teach the same great truths. The Bible has a beginning, a middle, and an end; it is incomplete if any part is omitted. Its central theme is Jesus Christ; the Old Testament prepares for Him, the New Testament shows how He fulfilled and exceeded Old Testament expectations.

The subjects with which the Bible deals are the most important and solemn that can occupy the mind of man—those which present to him his deepest problems. The Bible teaches man what he is, whence he came, whither he goes. It tells him of God, his Maker and the Author of all things, and of God's will concerning himself. It makes known to him the way of deliverance from sin. It opens to him the world to come, revealing the final destinies of the good and the bad.

A God-inspired Book

The reason for the far-reaching influence of the Bible is to be found in the fact that it is divine; that is, the Bible contains a revelation from God and is inspired by God.

All who believe in the True and Living God would naturally expect Him, in some way, to reveal or make Himself known to man, for two reasons:

In order that God, as the loving Father of all, might have the affection and worship of creatures made in His own image.

In order that man might understand and fulfil God's purpose concerning himself, and also satisfy his own inward desire to worship a Superior Being.

Divine revelation is of two kinds, Natural and Supernatural.

Natural revelation is given to all, and men are responsible for the measure of light thus bestowed upon them. This is taught by the Bible, which shows that God speaks to man in nature and through conscience.

Natural revelation alone is insufficient, because it provides only very limited knowledge of God, showing little, for example, of His holiness, love, mercy, Fatherhood, or of His purposes for man's future. Supernatural revelation is needed. Thus the Bible itself is a Divine revelation in that it makes known to us truth concerning God.

The Bible makes known God's dealings with man. The natural and personal histories recorded reveal to us the acts of God, showing how, through long ages, God over-ruled all events for the fulfilment of His purposes, and how He gradually made known to men His nature and His wishes. Further, God's dealings with people in Bible times teach us how He feels and acts towards those in similar circumstances to-day.

Wisps of Wisdom

Good actions never need a loud-speaker. They speak for themselves.

The revolution which is overdue is the revolution which Christ desires to effect in the hearts and lives of men.

My Covenant

FOR 1938



THOU Everlasting God, my Father and my Friend, Thou hast loved me with an everlasting love, knowing all my sinfulness, and didst give Thy Son to die for me on Calvary. When I wandered from Thee Thou didst seek me by Thy Spirit, win me to Thyself, cleanse my heart and give me power over the world, the flesh and the Devil. Since that time Thou hast kept me by Thy power, supplied my need, conquered my enemies and bestowed upon me unnumbered mercies; and now, through the merits of Thy love and death, I enter into the Holiest Place and humbly make this Covenant with Thee.

BLESSED Jesus, the world despises Thee, but I glory in Thee; the world hates Thee, but I love Thee; for Thy sake I separate myself from the amusements, friendships, fashions and sins of the world, and promise to follow Thee with all my heart, obey Thee with all my strength, cleave to Thee with all my affection and fight for Thee all my days.

HERE and now, deliberately and for ever, I give Thee my body, that it may be Thy temple; my life that it may ceaselessly do Thy will and bring blessing to those around me; my possessions, that they may be unselfishly held for the good of Thy Kingdom; and my heart, that it may love only what is good.

ALL I have, and all I hope to be, I lay upon Thine altar, for joy or for sorrow, for prosperity or adversity; desiring that I may have the high privilege of sharing Thy sufferings and the honour of bringing glory to Thy name and Salvation to the precious souls for whom Thou hast died. And I trust Thee, my Saviour, whose precious Blood does just now cleanse me from all unrighteousness, to keep me clean and present me faultless on the Great Judgment Day.

AND now, O God, seal by Thy Almighty Spirit this Covenant which I have made; and may the promises I make on earth be ratified in Heaven.

Signed.....

Prayer for the New Year

I WOULD not ask Thee that my days
Should flow quite smoothly on
and on;
Lest I should learn to love the world
Too well, ere all my time was done.

I would not ask Thee that my work
Should never bring me pain or fear;
Lest I should learn to work alone,
And never wish Thy presence near.

I would not ask Thee that my friends
Should always kind and constant be;
Lest I should learn to lay my faith
In them alone, and not in Thee.

But I would ask Thee still to give,
By night my sleep — by day my bread,
And that the counsel of Thy Word
Should shine and show the path to tread.

And I would ask a humble heart,
A changeless will to work and wake,
A firm faith in Thy Providence;
The rest — 'tis Thine to give or take.

THE WONDER-WORKING POWER

What happens when the tide comes in

A MISSIONARY had been speaking to a crowd of natives about the power of the blood of Jesus Christ to wash away all sin, when at the close, an old woman came up to him and said:

"Sir, my sins are more than the grains of sand I hold in my hand. Can your Jesus make me clean?"

"Where did you get the sand?" inquired the missionary.

"On the seashore."
"Go back to the seashore, take with you a spade and build a mound of sand as high as you can. Then watch what happens when the tide comes in."

The woman stood thinking for a moment. "Ah!" she exclaimed delightedly. "I see it! I see it! As the sea will wash away the mound, so His blood will wash away my sin!"

The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanseth us from all sin.—1 John 1:7.

A Tale and a Text

LOOK UP!

"I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help."—Psalm 121:1.

AN oculist advised a literary worker who came to him for new glasses to go out on her porch several times every day and look for five or ten minutes at the mountains which were always in view in the distance. "The far-away look," he said, "will rest your eyes after your long hours with manuscripts and proof-sheets. This will be better for you than new glasses."

The advice proved most wise. She could do her prosaic task-work better after looking at something lofty and sublime. And we need the far-away look to keep our spiritual life from losing its tone.

Open Your Window Blinds!

A LITTLE more give and take, a realization that the question may have two, three or four sides, and most of all a generosity that lets others be happy in their own way instead of our own, will go far toward solving many problems

Seeing Prophecy Fulfilled in Palestine



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CHAPTER I GOING TO JERUSALEM

A GAIN we were "going to Jerusalem." It was a happy little group gathered in the second-class compartment of the train that journeyed from ancient Lydda to Jerusalem. One of the passengers was a Jew who had lived in Australia for more than a quarter of a century, and was returning to his boyhood home in Jerusalem to see his aged father. Another was a Welsh clergyman, well advanced in years, but still full of fervor for the spread of the Gospel. The other three occupants were Americans—one, an around-the-world lady tourist from Ohio, and my wife and I.

It was early morning, bright and clear. We were full of eager expectancy as the train threaded its way among the Judean hills, ever climbing higher and higher in its ascent to Jerusalem, 2,500 feet above sea-level. One of the group remarked that it was his custom to begin the day with the Word of God, and asked if it would be agreeable to the others to have a chapter read aloud. All heartily assented. The chapter read was Romans 9. It was peculiarly appropriate, being filled with references to both Jews and Gentiles. All listened intently, including our Jewish fellow-passenger.

Then for a time the Welsh minister entertained us all with interesting experiences of preaching the Gospel in foreign lands. Moment by moment his spirit, or "hwyl" as they say in Wales, was becoming more and more aroused. At last he could contain himself no longer and burst into an old Gospel melody. His clear, rich tones rang joyfully through the car. It was not long until we caught the infection. Soon we were singing heartily one Gospel hymn after another. We used no "soft pedals" on our voices, and the people in the other compartments may have thought that we were a group of Salvation Army enthusiasts!

Our singing, however, did not hinder our enjoying the scenery along the way. At one stop we were surprised to see a garden with lovely flowers alongside the station, doubtless the work of a beauty-loving stationmaster. But what most interested us, as the train climbed upward, was the progress that had been made in transforming the Judean hills from barrenness to beauty. A number of the hills were beautifully terraced and were planted with growing grain. I had not remembered seeing these terraces even as recently as my former visit two years ago.

Presently the Arab ticket collector appeared. We showed him our tickets and a copy of an Arabic New Testament. The latter he was delighted to receive. A second railway employee, seeing the Arabic Testament, eagerly besought us for a copy. Alas, the copy we had already parted with was the only one we had left. However, we took his name and address and sent him a copy after our arrival in Jerusalem. Earlier in the journey, our Jewish fellow-passenger had gratefully received a New Testament. Strangely enough, the round-the-world lady



IN THE OLD CITY.—A Jerusalem street which gives a picture of every-day life as it has been known from ancient days.

tourist had been given a copy of the New Testament while she was travelling on an inter-island steamer in the Philippines.

Thus with singing, and sightseeing, and spreading God's Word, we journeyed on to Jerusalem. As the train came to a standstill in the Jerusalem station there was a hurried scramble to unload passengers and baggage. We caught a glimpse of the aged father of our Jewish friend. What joy must have been theirs as they embraced each other after a separation of more than a quarter of a century!

After making the customary bargain with a taxi driver we were taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fried, in the Street of the Prophets. Two years before we had had the privilege of staying with them, and once again

we enjoyed sweet fellowship in their home during our stay in Jerusalem.

During our 'almost seven weeks' stay in Palestine we were again amazed at the marvelous changes that have taken place during the past few years since the Jews have been returning to the land in such large numbers. Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, and Haifa are great flourishing modern cities. Swamp lands have been transformed into fertile fields. Sand dunes have given place to beautiful orange groves. The great plain of Esdraelon is dotted over with flourishing Jewish colonies. The plain of Sharon is once more like "a garden of Eden." The land that lay largely waste and desolate during the long centuries of the Jewish dispersion is again beginning to "blossom like the rose."

All this modern development of Palestine is the growing fulfillment of the predictions of the Old Testament prophets. A graphic picture of the changes that are taking place to-day was given more than 2,500 years ago by the prophet Amos: "And I will bring again the captivity of my people of Israel, and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof; they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them. And I will plant them upon their land, and they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them, saith the Lord thy God" (Amos 9:14-15).

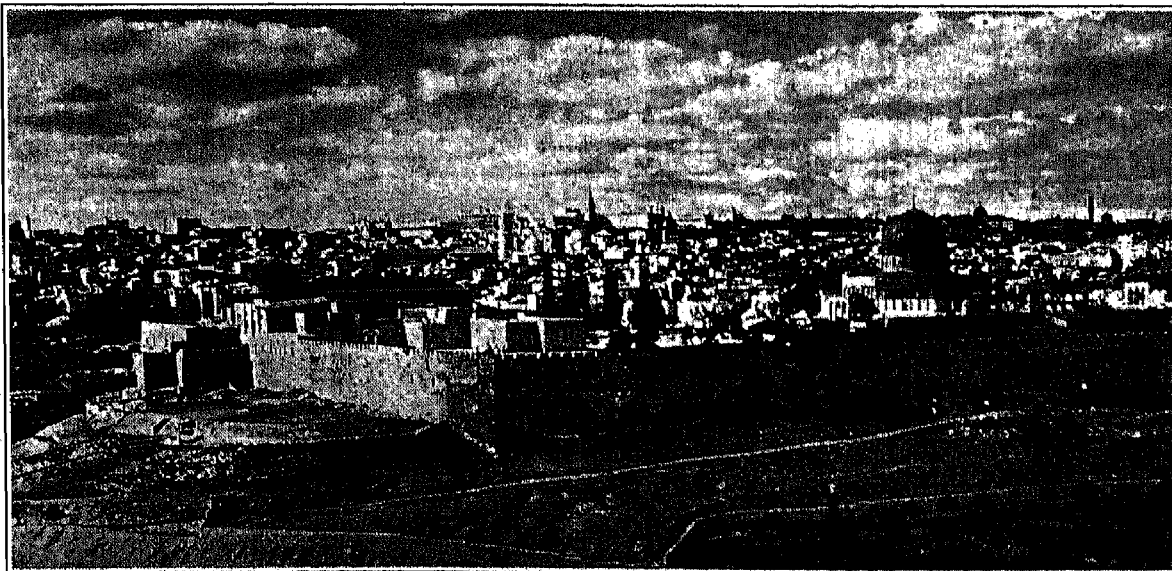
Truly the Lord is bringing again the captivity of the Jews who have been scattered to the ends of the earth for long centuries. They are indeed building "the waste cities"; and planting "vineyards"; and making "gardens." Further, the returning colonists are planting their roots deeply into "their land." And it is comforting to read the prophet's words that "they shall no more be pulled up out of their land which I have given them."

While in Palestine we learned more fully than ever of the passionate love of the Jews for the land of their forefathers, and the longing to return to it that has burned in the breasts of orthodox Jews throughout the years of their long dispersion. We were told that it is a common practice for devout Jews all over the world to rise at midnight, or in the early morning hours, to weep for the destruction of Zion and to pray for its redemption.

Many Jews, even those who are very poor, will save their hard earned money to purchase a small bag of soil from Palestine that it may be laid under their head in their coffin. They feel that at least in death they are again united to the land of Palestine. It may be there is in this the hope that being joined to the land they will be raised again when the Messiah comes to Zion.

"Next year in Jerusalem" has been the heart-cry of the Jews, especially at Passover time, throughout the long period of their depression. More than once during the centuries definite plans have been made for their return. In the early days of America's history the idea of a Jewish national home in Palestine found sympathetic support. John Adams, the second president of the United States, wrote a letter to Major Noah, a prominent American Jew, heartily commending the project. In Great Britain Dean Stanley wrote: "The Jewish race, so wonderfully preserved, may yet have another stage of national existence opened to them. They

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JERUSALEM OLD AND NEW.—In the foreground is seen the ancient wall of Jerusalem. Not far behind the wall stands the Dome of the Rock, commonly known as the Mosque of Omar. Visible in the distance are modern buildings which stand outside the walls of the old city.

THE LADDER OF SUCCESS

Inspiring Youth Rally at Trenton

The Trenton Corps, Ont. (Captain Thompson), were recently visited by Brigadier and Mrs. Spooner. The first appointment of the week-end, at which the Divisional Commander and Mrs. Brigadier Riches were present, was a lantern lecture entitled, "England and the Coronation." A goodly crowd heard the challenge to service under the King of Kings. Features of the evening meeting were the commissioning of the newly-formed Songster Brigade, and the enrolment of a Soldier. Seven seekers, among them backsliders and new converts, knelt at the Mercy-seat.

On Monday night other Youth Groups of the town, with several car loads of young people from Belleville and Cobourg, gathered for a Youth Rally. Bright singing was a feature of the meeting, and the concertina solo by Brigadier Spooner, and Mrs. Spooner's vocal solo, were most enjoyable. The crowd of young people which filled the Citadel were thrilled by the Brigadier's forceful address on "The Ladder of Success." He appealed for the development of character that counts for the Kingdom.

AMONG THE MINERS

Kirkland Lake, Ont. (Major and Mrs. Wells.) We are able to report much success among the young folk of the gold-mining centre.

Last Sunday marked the opening of the new Young People's Hall at the Federal Townsite. Happy voices of young folk, accompanied by the Band, sang "Come join our Army," followed by a prayer of dedication offered by Major Wells.

The work at the Federal Townsite is in the competent hands of Corps Sergeant-Major A. Charters.

A "Red and Blue" contest is in progress at the Citadel Company meeting, and this has resulted in increased attendances.

Each Sunday afternoon a number of young people of the Chaput-Hughes district gather for the Company meeting. This branch of the work is in charge of Candidate Olive Phippen.

Young People's Sergeant-Major Mrs. Randall has announced a total attendance of one hundred and seventy and anticipates reaching the two hundred mark.—V.G.

CORPS CADETS LEAD

Paris, Ont. (Adjutant and Mrs. Harrison.) Major A. Bracey, of the Hamilton Divisional Headquarters, conducted a series of inspiring services on Corps Cadet Sunday.

The Holiness meeting proved a profitable time. Adjutant Harrison extended a warm welcome to the Major, who brought a powerful message.

On Sunday afternoon a musical program was given. The newly-organized string ensemble composed largely of young people were well to the front. Interesting vocal, instrumental, and elocution items, and an address by the Major completed a happy meeting.

The Salvation meeting, with further assistance from the string ensemble, and the Major's address made a deep impression. Five young people expressed their desire to become Corps Cadets.

The service concluded with a period of testimony.

Corps Cadet Sunday was observed at Kingsville, Ont. (Commandant and Mrs. Johnston), with the Corps Cadets taking complete charge of the meetings. Corps Cadet Sergeant Rhoda Cox brought two inspiring messages.

During the evening meeting Corps Cadets Rhoda and Mabel Cox sang a duet and Corps Cadet George Cox sang a solo. Other Corps Cadets took active part. Corps Cadet Margaret Watt gave a short talk.

Preparing for Responsibility

Corps Cadets conduct helpful meetings at Sarnia

Sarnia, Ont. (Major and Mrs. J. Bond.) Major Harold Wellman conducted the meetings on Corps Cadet Sunday. On Sunday morning the Corps Cadets, and those who had been Corps Cadets at any time, testified. Several Local Officers said that Corps Cadetship had helped them in the carrying out of Corps responsibilities. Major Wellman met the young people of the Citadel Company meeting as well as the children of Plank Road Outpost, and gave them helpful talks.

In the night meeting the male quartet sang an invitation song, "Come to Me," Eleanor Bond read the Scripture, and Major Wellman gave a very forceful message, following which four persons surrendered to Christ. Two new applications

for Corps Cadetship were received during the day.

The young people actively assisted in the disposing of 1,625 copies of the Christmas War Cry. The people of Sarnia are high in their praise of the fine Christmas issue.

The Home League sale of work was under the direction of Secretary Mrs. Gray. Mrs. Brigadier Bunton conducted the opening, when Mrs. F. B. Wilkinson gave a short talk.

The Hall was filled for the evening program given by the comrades of Port Huron and Sarnia Corps, together with local friends. Sisters Mrs. Dougall and Mrs. Yearsley were responsible for arranging the program, over which Brigadier Bunton presided in a happy manner. Major Wellman contributed a trombone solo and a vocal solo.

FRENCH CORPS EVENTS

French Corps, Montreal (Adjutant J. McGillivray, Adjutant Wheeler, Captain Brokenshire.) Brigadier and Mrs. Best spent a Sunday in our midst and were a means of blessing.

Major Olga Schwartz, the Divisional Young People's Secretary, spent Corps Cadet Sunday with us. The Corps Cadets were well to the front.

The Officers from the Catherine Booth Hospital are untiring in their efforts to help at all times.

Rev. Mr. Blaser, a French minister, of Montreal, recently delivered the message in a Sunday night meeting. Mrs. Blaser accompanied him and brought a message in song.

The Corps recently held its first Home League sale which was opened by Rev. and Mrs. Blaser. In the evening the staff of the Catherine Booth Hospital gave an enjoyable program.—U.C.

SALVATION SINGERS

Truro, N.S. (Adjutant and Mrs. Everitt.) The morning meeting on Corps Cadet Sunday was led by the Corps Cadet Brigade under Sergeant Thelma Worthylake. A profitable time was spent in the Salvation meeting when several good papers were read by Corps Cadets Gratto, Pattison, Crowell, and Singer.

The Brigade is doing effective open-air work, and taking the responsibility of the Sunday evening young people's Salvation meeting. Two young people made applications for Corps Cadetship.

Recent converts in the Senior Corps are taking their stand and giving bright testimonies.

Sister Mrs. Pattison has been welcomed to the newly-formed Songster Brigade which now numbers fourteen members. These render good service to the Corps.

THE FIGHT THAT FASCINATES

Encouraging reports from many centres

FOR HOSPITAL AND HOME

At London I, Ont. (Adjutant and Mrs. Hartas) a special musical program was given in aid of the Bethesda Hospital and Home. All branches of the Corps willingly gave their assistance to make the evening a success. Lieut.-Commissioner Hoe was the able chairman. A hospital report read by Major Cosway showed an increase over the previous year. Admission was by canned goods. The Home League supplied refreshments.

THE CHRISTMAS SALE

The week-end meetings at London II, Ont. (Captain Hanton, Lieutenant Serrick) were led by the Corps Cadets.

The annual Home League Christmas sale was held recently and was opened by Mrs. (Colonel) Shannon. At night the Band presented a fine program which was piloted by Mrs. Brigadier Forbes.

Recently we said good-bye to a faithful Soldier and Company Guard, Captain Goodwin.

DIVINE SERVICE PARADE

East Toronto, Ont. (Major and Mrs. Snowden.) The Life-Saving Scouts and Chums turned out in full force on Sunday morning for the visit of the Field Secretary, Brigadier Ham. The message of the Brigadier brought blessing and help to the boys who listened attentively. Major Snowden also brought a timely message to the young people.

At night, following an earnest Salvation message by the Brigadier, we had the joy of seeing a woman volunteer to the Mercy-seat for Salvation.

WITH THE CADETS

Rowntree, Toronto (Captain and Mrs. Sim.) Brigadier Dalziel with Major Green and a brigade of Cadets paid a visit to our Corps on a recent Thursday night. A goodly number gathered at the Hall to welcome the visitors. The messages and songs were much enjoyed.

On a recent Sunday Sister Carpenter conducted the meeting. During the day Sister Carpenter commissioned the Singing Company, and gave the young people some advice as to the use of their voices to the glory of God. The meetings were full of inspiration and blessing.

GROUP ORGANIZED

The organizing of the Youth Group at Earlscourt, Toronto (Adjutant and Mrs. Dixon), gave every indication of becoming a very useful department of the Corps. Nearly sixty young people attended the first gathering, and Bandsman Ernest Cornish was chosen as president. Other group leaders promised to do their utmost to advance the interests of the Group and the general work of the Corps. Adjutant Dixon opened the meeting and gave much encouragement. The meeting closed with the serving of refreshments, and the Devotional leader of the Group closed the gathering with prayer.

STRENGTHENING THE ROLL

St. Stephen, N.B. (Adjutant and Mrs. DeChamp.) On a recent Sunday morning an enrolment of a Junior Soldier took place. Two applications for Corps Cadetship have been made.—T.D.

BACKSLIDERS RESTORED

Remarkable cases at Regina

Regina Citadel, Sask. (Adjutant and Mrs. Rea.) Corps Cadet Sunday was led by the Corps Officers with members of the Corps Cadet Brigade taking active part. An interesting paper on "Corps Cadetship" was read by Corps Cadet Irene Vincent.

During the noon-hour the Citadel Songster Brigade broadcast a program of vocal music over radio station CKCK.

Adjutant Tanner, of the North-side Corps, presided over the afternoon festival and lectured on "Alaska."

Three Soldiers were enrolled in the Salvation meeting, and two Bandsmen were transferred from the Junior to the Senior Corps. Corps Cadet Thomas Smith read a helpful paper. Following an inspiring message given by Mrs. Adjutant Rea, one seeker was registered.

Remarkable cases of conversion within recent weeks include a former Army Officer in the United States, who had been a backslider for over twenty years, and a man and wife who after twenty-five years' of service had backslidden.

SOLDIERS ENROLLED

A recent week-end's meetings at Charlottetown, P.E.I. (Adjutant and Mrs. Lynch), were conducted by Major A. Keith, the Divisional Commander. All the gatherings were of an inspiring nature.

On Saturday night an unusual meeting was held when we heard the latest music of Salvation Army Bands by means of recordings. The Major also showed interesting lantern pictures of the 1937 Maritime Congress.

The Sunday morning Holiness meeting was a heart-searching time. The Company meeting was visited by the Major, who gave the young people a message.

In the Salvation meeting the Major enrolled one Senior Soldier. Following a stirring message one person surrendered to Christ.

HELPING THE HOME LEAGUE

For seventeen years the North Toronto (Major Stevenson, Captain Payne) Home League sale has been opened by a warm friend of the Corps in the person of Mrs. F. B. Meyers. Mrs. Meyers was again present and declared the 1937 sale open. Mrs. Colonel Peacock presided and Mrs. Lieut.-Colonel Webb read from the Scriptures and spoke briefly. Mrs. Brigadier Riches opened the meeting. An interesting program, arranged by Home League Secretary Mrs. Young, was given by a number of comrades and friends.

The seven tastefully-decorated stalls were well supplied with worth-while articles, and were well patronized by willing buyers. Many availed themselves of the opportunity of partaking of a well-served meal.

The evening program was arranged by Bandmaster Adjutant Watt, and comprised numbers by the full Band, and individual and part Band items. The vocal octet also sang two pieces. A feature was the initial appearance of the North Toronto orchestra, under the direction of Mrs. Adjutant Watt.

The London III, Ont. (Adjutant and Mrs. Murray) Home League recently held their annual Christmas sale. The sale proved a financial success, and double last year's figure was realized.

In the afternoon a large crowd gathered for the opening exercises. Mrs. Brigadier Bunton spoke briefly and introduced Mrs. Jeffery, of Talbot Street Church, who brought an inspiring message on "Hands."

A musical program was given on the evening, ably presided over by Adjutant Brewer, of the Ronald Roy Gray Boy's Home.

Commissioner Lamb In the Dominion Capital

IT was the pleasure of Ottawa Salvationists to have an unexpected visit from Commissioner David Lamb, of London, Eng., who has been in Canada on matters relating to Empire Settlement problems. A large crowd gathered for a Holiness meeting at the No. 1 Citadel and the Commissioner spoke powerfully on



Corps
Treasurer
Alex.
Edmonds,
who has
been elected
Mayor of
Ingersoll,
Ont.,
for 1938.

the text "He that loseth his life shall save it."

Brigadier Culshaw, of International Headquarters, who has been accompanying the Commissioner, conducted the Salvation meeting.

MELLOWING MEETING

On Sunday evening, December 19th, the comrades of West Toronto Corps (Adjutant and Mrs. Gage) were pleased to have with them former Commissioner T. B. Coombs, of Brampton, Ont. The floodgates of memory were unloosed and souls were stirred as this Army friend, about to enter his seventy-eighth year, related early-day incidents. Hearts were mellowed under the influence of the Holy Spirit when the Bible address was given, and three seekers, including new cases, claimed victory in the prayer-meeting led by Colonel Adby.

Earlier in the evening Colonel Bond introduced the visitor to the crowded congregation and Mrs. Colonel Coombs, of Vancouver, offered prayer.

NEW LIFE IN THE NEW YEAR

The Power of a Love Transcendant!

By ADJUTANT C. D. WISEMAN

THERE are laws that would irrevocably bind upon us our past mistakes and failures. The moral laws of the universe significantly run parallel with the natural laws, and when we spiritualize the statement that whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap, we do no violence to a fact so invariably demonstrated in a physical world.

Our to-days are largely created by our yesterdays. At this moment we are coloring and casting the situations that will arise to meet us in the morrows of our lives. Whilst it is true that we live "a moment at a time" we dare not forget that time consists of a flow of events, not a series of detached and isolated moments. Our fragments of time depend on each other and help to make each other. Thus it is that many a man meets the sins of his youthful years long after they have been almost blotted from the book of his remembrance.

It is a dreadful thought that we are bound to carry through our lives the effects of the sins of the past. Such a burden would be unbearable to a sensitive soul; for once we had been led into wrong, by our wilfulness or indiscretion or nature, we would, like Cain, be branded with the mark of sin to the end of our days.

There is nothing we can humanly do to break the bondage of nature's law. Self-righteousness will not avail to stamp out the stigma of sin, for it is only a cloak, and has nothing to do with the sources of life. New resolutions, if this law of sowing and reaping be morally true, would help but little to lessen the terror of the dire outcome. All life would become dark and hopeless for us individually and for the race at large. For it is recognized that the sins of the fathers are visited upon the children!

I am afraid this is a parade of rather gloomy reflections. They were provoked recently when I read a verse bearing the title "A new start." I gathered that the writer had been indulging in a period of

introspection. Such a practice is an excellent antidote for conceit and a corrective of selfishness, if carried out in a wholesome and fair manner. He was not quite satisfied with himself, if I judge the tenor of the poem aright, for he sets forth a series of improvements which he proposes to make:

"I will start anew this morning with a fairer, higher creed,
I will cease to stand complaining of my ruthless neighbor's greed;
I will cease to sit repining while my duty's call is clear;
I will waste no time in whining, and my heart shall know no fear."

Now the question that stares us in the face is this: In view of the moral law that we reap as we sow, how can we who have sinned and done violence to all goodness and purity and selflessness start again with any measure of hope for success? Will not our wrongs come back to laugh at us and render futile any attempt to escape from their tyranny?

The Hope of Humanity

This is a vital question on which is based all the spiritual hope of humanity. To God's mind it was the question of paramount significance, for as we observe His dealings with men down the long corridors of time we discover His gracious intervention just at this very point. The thing that would be impossible under normal circumstances has been made possible by the Holy One who controls all force and directs all law. Men—though sinners with blots on their hearts like crimson splashes—have been made as pure as the whitest wool. Sensualists like Augustine have been turned into self-sacrificing and noble spirits. Thoughtless youths like Francis of Assisi, after much sowing of wild oats that normally would have spelt spiritual ruin for their lives, have been transformed into inspiring leaders of men. Futility marked the life of young Wilberforce of England, and the logical end of his experience would have been dreary

emptiness. But God stepped in, and He was changed. Just as the final spark of life fled from his feeble frame, his great crusade was accomplished, and the slaves of an Empire were set free.

In countless ways, in all ages, from patriarchal Abraham to the modern William Booth or the more recent Kagawa, the unchanging laws of nature have had to give way before the transcendent law of Divine Love. Love redeeming, love purifying, love forgiving. Men have stepped out of their experience of sin and futility into a new, vital, controlling relationship with God, through the acceptance of the Salvation and mastery of Jesus Christ, provided by the shedding of His blood and His victory over the grave.

The late ADJUTANT WIGLE AN APPRECIATION

ON my arrival at Toronto after journeying from West Virginia, I was informed of the passing of my warm friend for twenty years—dear Adjutant Wigle—and I should like, with the permission of the Editor, to add a little floweret to the wreath of tributes that her holy life will weave.

I knew her first in Hamilton when she was in charge of the Rescue Home, and her sweet, Christlike compassion for erring womanhood made an indelible impression upon me. Not only did her womanly sympathy comfort many a girl in her distress, but it saved many a girl from despair and further sin. I personally knew of several such. Her zeal for her work was untiring, and her labors when strength permitted were truly abundant.

I visited her several times during her illness, when her saintliness of character revealed a new and brilliant fact, that was her patient resignation to a life of inactivity. It must have been a great trial to her to be taken away from her beloved labors and be helplessly laid aside, but with splendid Christian fortitude she was able at all times to say "Thy will be done."

Minnie Green,
Brigadier.

More than Conquerors through the Blood

Soldiers of Christ enter the Promised Land

ENVOY JACK MUIR Winnipeg Citadel, Man.

THE news of the promotion to Glory of Envoy Jack Muir on Thursday, December 9th, came with startling suddenness to Winnipeg Salvationists, as a few days previously he had led the testimony meeting at the Citadel.

Our comrade was a Soldier of Govan, Scotland, from which Corps he entered the Clapton Training College in 1909. Unfortunately he stepped aside from the path of duty, but later on emigrating to Canada, was restored to God's favor and became a stalwart of Winnipeg Citadel Corps.

On numerous occasions the Envoy was cautioned to slacken his pace, but he went tirelessly on in his efforts for God. He was wont to declare that he had wasted too many years to take it easy. During his twenty years' association with the Corps he served as Penitent-form Sergeant, Recruiting-Sergeant, and Senior Sergeant-Major, and a year before his death was made Envoy. He spent his last Sunday conducting meetings at St. James Corps.

The Envoy was a respected worker at the C.P.R. Shops and many of the men joined the large crowd of Salvationists for the funeral service conducted by Briga-

dier Oake and Major Falle in the Citadel. Lieut. Colonel Burton, Brigadier Merritt, Brigadier Habkirk, Commandant Hardy and Sister Mrs. Tweedie took part and the warrior's remains were laid to rest at Elmwood Cemetery.

During the memorial service on Sunday night Bandsman J. Muir paid tribute to his father's sterling life, and a number of other com-



Envoy Jack Muir

rades also spoke. Brigadier Habkirk read a message from Stony Mountain Penitentiary, where the Envoy had ever been a welcome visitor, and Brother Walter Taylor sang "The Old Rugged Cross."

BROTHER ALEC. GUNN Timmins, Ont.

The Corps has sustained a loss in the promotion to Glory of Brother Alec. Gunn after a short illness. He was one of the pioneers of the Gold Camp and became acquainted with The Army in its early days in Timmins. As a Soldier of Jesus Christ he fought a good fight, and it was his delight to be at the open-air meetings and testify to the keeping power of God. At the last open-air meeting he attended he strongly urged all that were listening to accept the Saviour.

Since his passing many tributes have been paid to his consistent and godly life. He found it difficult to attend all meetings owing to advanced age, but he leaves behind a bright testimony.—L.C.

SONGSTER-SECRETARY MRS. FAIR

Hamilton III, Ont.

Recently promoted to Glory was Sister Mrs. Fair. This comrade was born in Kingston, Ont., and began to attend young people's meetings when a young girl. The family then moved to Hamilton where Mrs. Fair attended the Hamilton III Corps. She was enrolled as a Soldier on November 6th, 1920, by Major Barclay and commissioned as a Song-

ster in 1923. She later held the commission of Songster Secretary, and fulfilled this duty faithfully.

She was loved and respected by young and old alike.

Major Kirbyson and Major Mercer conducted the funeral service, and Adjutant L. Collins who was in charge of the meetings on the following Sunday spoke feelingly of the promoted comrade.



Songster-Secretary
Mrs. Fair

COLOR-SERGEANT JOB HOLLOWAY

Musgravetown, Nfld.

One of the oldest Soldiers of Musgravetown Corps, Color-Sergeant Job Holloway, eighty years of age, was recently promoted to Higher Service. Two weeks before his death an open-air meeting was held at his home, and our comrade, leaning on his walking-stick, and in his full uniform, gave a glowing testimony. It was a touching sight to see him standing by the Flag he loved so well, folding it in his hands as though he was giving it a last loving farewell. His last words to the Officer before his passing were "My race is run, and I am ready."

NEWS from NEWFOUNDLAND

UNITED for SERVICE

Captains Hancock and Earle married at Bay Roberts

Bay Roberts Citadel, Nfld., was the scene recently of a happy event when Captain Lucinda Hancock, of Englee, was united in marriage to Captain Geo. Earle, of Bay Roberts.



Captain and Mrs. G. Earle

Major E. Eason conducted the service, the bride being supported by Mrs. Captain R. H. Cole and Mrs. Earle, and the groom by Captain R. H. Cole and Mr. Earle, brother of the groom.

The Band rendered appropriate music, and the happy couple spoke briefly of their determined efforts to further the Kingdom by their united service. Representative speakers also gave addresses.

After the service a reception was given in the Young People's Hall, the Home League members being in charge of the arrangements. Captain and Mrs. Earle are appointed to Long Pond Corps.

B-R-I-E-F-S

The Cadets of the "Enthusiasts" Session at St. John's, Nfld., greatly enjoyed the Spiritual Day conducted recently by the Divisional Commander, Lieut.-Colonel Tilley, and Mrs. Tilley. Adjutant M. Littlejohn and Captain L. Cook also took part.

A definite forward move is in evidence at Paradise Sound, where Captain Lizzie Butt is the Corps Officer. A number of persons have been gloriously converted and are taking their stand as Soldiers. The Young People's work is progressing, and five Junior Soldiers have been enrolled.

Captain Brooks, of Green's Harbor, reports that God is blessing the efforts put forth at this centre. On a recent Sunday two backsliders were restored. Attendances are increasing in the weekly Young People's Salvation meetings, and five seekers have been registered.

Crowds are attending the meetings at Twillingate (Adjutant and Mrs. Rideout), the newly-opened gallery being filled every Sunday night. The Young People's Legion is going strong and attendances are increasing.

The comrades of Musgravetown recently conducted an open-air meeting by the home of Mrs. Ben Stead, an invalid who is a blessing to all who visit her.

The St. John's I Home League recently held its annual sale of work and tea, when a large sum was realized. Appreciation for the zeal of the members was expressed by Mrs. Lieut.-Colonel Tilley, who opened the sale.

An impressive service was conducted on Sunday afternoon at St. John's II (Major and Mrs. Woodland), when Renee Rosena, daughter

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VIRTUES of WOMANHOOD

Training College Cadets present impressive demonstration at St. John's

A LARGE united crowd at the St. John's Citadel were entertained for the first time by the Cadets of "The Enthusiasts" Session recently. Lieut.-Colonel Tilley, who was accompanied by Mrs. Tilley, occupied the chair.

Every item of the program was creditably done. At one moment the Cadets were extolling the virtues of woman, and her effect upon the world, in the home, in society and religion. Such characters as Queen Victoria, Florence Nightingale, Jenny Lind and The Army Mother were portrayed. Prominent among the group was The Army Lassie of the Helping Hand, her tasks being varied but none too menial for her to give attention. From these scenes one was next to be acquainted with the subtlety and modern interpretation of "The Devil." Other items were included, all containing some lessons. The Cadets did justice to themselves and it is evident that an excellent group of young people have been selected for the re-opening of the Training College in New-

foundland. The appeal of this great opportunity for the youth was apparent by the large group of young people present, who were ready with their applause. The Cadets are also attracting new people by their conducting of regular Army meetings in the Corps.

Adjutant Brown, the Young People's Secretary, spoke at the end of the program, making favorable comments, and commending Adjutant Littlejohn and her helpers on the success of the evening's program.

A large crowd gathered at the St. John's II Citadel where Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. Tilley had been announced to conduct a Sunday evening meeting. Rousing songs of Salvation were sung and a lively testimony meeting was led by Adjutant Brown.

Hearts were well prepared for the address by the Colonel, who spoke of the gifts of God to man. Major Mercer led the prayer-meeting for an hour or more longer. At the end eight seekers had knelt at the Mercy-seat.



THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD

A VERY happy New Year to all my Shut-in friends! It is going to be a year full of gladness. The sun will rise in all his glory and fill the whole world with light. The soft rain will fall to cool the parched earth: the wind will make sweetest music in the trees: flowers will spring in beauty and fragrance: birds will nest and sing: stars will bedeck the dark blue canopy above, and the moon will bathe the whole world in silver. The year will bring us the friendship of man and beast: the love and trust of little children. Greater than all, the presence of the Lord will go with us through all the days. "My presence shall go with thee, and I will give thee rest."

I have greatly enjoyed reading the following lines by Fairlie Thornton:

Hark! from the heights of glory
What voice is that I hear,
Bidding me look before me
Into the opening year?
Hark! 'Tis my name He calleth:
"Oh, heart, with doubts oppressed,
My presence shall go with thee,
And I will give thee rest."

I catch a glimpse, but only
A glimpse of days to be;
If the path be sad or lonely
I cannot clearly see:
But a voice of tender sweetness
Falls on this heart depressed—
"My presence shall go with thee,
And I will give thee rest."

I see the pathway dreary,
With no sun's rays between,
When this heart will feel so weary
Of every earthly scene.
But I know, whatever may meet me,
I can His promise test:
"My presence shall go with thee,
And I will give thee rest."

I see the road just winding
Into a vale of woe,
Yet I go forth, not minding,
Since Christ will lead, I know;
For He saith, lest I should falter,
With undue trouble pressed—
"My presence shall go with thee,
And I will give thee rest."

Perchance that path of sorrow
These feet may never tread;
Then wherefore shall I borrow
From the future ought of dread?
Whatever of woe betideth,
This thought shall fill my breast,
"My presence shall go with thee,
And I will give thee rest."

And in His presence there is
fullness of joy, so again, A very
happy New Year!

Youth In Action

Corps Cadets lead soul-saving meetings

Guelph, Ont. (Adjutant and Mrs. J. Wood.) Corps Cadet Sunday was a profitable day, the young people taking prominent part in the meetings. They were also responsible for the Saturday night meeting. On Sunday night papers were read by Corps Cadets Iva Riddells, on the "Advantages of Corps Cadetship," and by Frances Walker, "The Bible—the best book in the world." Following the address given by Mrs. Adjutant Wood, on "The youth of Jesus," the Corps Cadets took part in a reconsecration service under The Army Flag, the prospective Cadets also joining them. To crown the day there were three seekers.

The Home League sale proved a decided success when, at the conclusion, Home League Treasurer Mrs. Denver announced that a substantial sum had been raised. The booths were attractively decorated in coronation colors, and an Imperial crown surmounted each booth. This was the work of Brother Wm. Fletcher.

The Band, under Bandmaster Sidney Crossland, recently broadcast a program from Station CKCR, Kitchener. Messages from many points indicate that the musical half-hour was appreciated.

Lethbridge, Alta. (Adjutant and Mrs. Tobin.) Corps Cadet Sunday proved helpful and inspiring with the Corps Cadets taking the lead. Corps Cadet Guardian Ivy Solly gave the message in the evening meeting and one person knelt at the Mercy-seat. In the morning meeting the son of Brother and Sister Oden-vold was dedicated to God. The sister of the child, Corps Cadet Margaret Oden-vold, held the Flag.

Adjutant Tobin has finished a series of special messages which resulted in two sinners seeking Salvation.

Corps Cadet Sunday at Niagara Falls II, Ont. (Adjutant B. Keeling, Captain A. Everitt), was well observed. Corps Cadet Guardian Mrs. J. French and the Brigade were in charge of the Holiness and Salvation meetings. In the morning the Bible message was brought to us by Sister Mrs. French.

In the evening the Hall was filled when an illustrated lesson, "A Spiritual Building," was given in which each Corps Cadet took part.

Another feature of the meeting was the dedication to God of two children under the Flag.

Amherst, N.S. (Captain J. Monk, Lieutenant Geo. Johnson.) On Corps Cadet Sunday Corps Cadet Guardian Mrs. Campbell and Corps Cadet Myrtle Hicks each led bright testimony meetings. Corps Cadet Edith Coulson and Corps Cadet Cecil Goodwin brought brief messages and the entire Brigade sang. One application for Corps Cadetship was made.—E.T.

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of the Corps Officers, was dedicated to God by Lieut.-Colonel Tilley. An appropriate selection was rendered by the Band, and the Colonel spoke on the importance of covenant keeping.

Plans are being formulated for the erection of a two-room day school building at Muddy Pond, near St. John's. The land has already been purchased, and local men are working on the foundation.

Crowds continue to attend the meetings at St. John's II Corps. On Corps Cadet Sunday two recruits were enrolled as Soldiers. At night the building was filled, crowds standing in the hallway. The message brought by Mrs. Major Woodland was full of inspiration and seekers knelt at the Mercy-seat including a man who had been a drunkard for years.

A PAGE for WOMEN

In this new era of womanhood woman has perforce to choose between the virtue of an opportunity used and the sin of an opportunity wasted.—General Evangeline Booth.

BIDDY stirred the dozing fire into a cheerful blaze, put on the kettle, then crossed to the window to draw up the shades. The snow had been falling all through the night, and the scene without was surpassingly beautiful. The long, dark arms of the wide-spreading maple trees, stretching high towards the sky, were partly covered with fleecy wraps; while the garden and all the land as far as the eye could travel was hidden beneath a coverlet of dazzling purity.

Biddy caught her breath. "God," she said to herself, "is extravagant in His gifts of beauty."

Reluctantly she turned away. Pat had come up from the basement and

Another Biddy Article

Biddy's New Year Vision

shortcomings with the robe of His mercy.

Covered is my unrighteousness,
Nor spot of guilt remains on me
While Jesus' blood through
earth and skies

"Mercy, free, boundless mercy,"
cries.

"Look at Murphy's backyard," she went on. "Yesterday it was a disgrace to the neighborhood. Dirty tin cans, old bones, all kinds of rubbish, were lying around. It was cluttered from one end to the other. Now it is as beautiful as that of Mrs. Green, who always keeps hers as neat as a bandbox. The Lord has covered it with His soft blanket of snow. Isn't that what He would do with our lives? No matter how we have cluttered them with failure and sin, He would cover them also, for though our sins be as scarlet, or red like crimson, He can make them as white as snow. Wouldn't it be grand if we could make every drunkard, every drug addict, every man and woman in the penitentiary, really see that, if they cared, they could have an absolutely fresh start?"

"Well, that's the Gospel, Honey," said Pat. "The word is there for them to read. Isn't it in the 43rd of Isaiah, 'I even I, am he that blot out thy transgressions for my own sake, and will not remember thy sins?'"

Biddy filled the teapot again and poured out more tea, then said: "I've been trusting and serving the Lord since I was just a girl, yet many a night I lay my head on the pillow with the words ringing

through my brain, 'I have blotted out, as a thick cloud, thy transgressions.' Blotted out the thoughtless word, the too hasty judgment, the proud intolerance, that have sometimes marred the day. Remembering this, I really do 'Lay me down in peace to sleep.' One feels so safe, so completely at rest, just like a babe in its mother's arms, when one really trusts His love and believes His promise. There are no degrees of sin with God. Small offences are no more freely forgiven than crimes of great magnitude, if the repentance and renunciation are as sincere and complete. How anyone can spurn such overtures of kindness astonishes me. An absolutely complete forgiveness; and more than that, forgetfulness, and grace to help, generously and freely offered. Yet men dread Him, and some hate Him. I would like to sing Faber's hymn to them all:

Souls of men, why will ye scatter
Like a crowd of frightened
sheep,
From a love so true and tender,
From a love so strong and deep?

Pat pushed his plate away, and wiped his mouth, then reached for the morning reading.

"This will do for to-day, Biddy," he said. "Psalm 32:1: 'Blessed is he whose sin is covered.'"

Thou hast covered my sin with
the robe of Thy grace;
Thou hast lifted upon me the
light of Thy face;
Thou hast promised in heav'n to
prepare me a place;
What a wonderful, wonderful
Saviour

THE WIFELY OFFICE

Ennobling tribute to a high lady

NO one reading the account in the newspapers of the banquet held in Toronto to honor the retiring Lieut.-Governor of Ontario, Dr. Herbert Bruce, could resist a feeling of pride in the acknowledgment which the excellent doctor gave to his wife. This was marked by more than gallantry, although it was gallantry in the first degree; there were in it tones of deep affection and there was the language of true nobility. So beautiful, so entirely worthy was the tribute, that it should be read in full, as given below:

"When I undertook my new duties," said the retiring Lieut.-Governor, "there was one who undertook them with me. When I wearied, as man will weary, there was one ever at hand to encourage me. When unforeseen obstacles arose and when sudden, unguessed-at difficulties came unawares upon

LOVE

A man may be a miser of his wealth; he may tie up his talent in a napkin; he may hug himself in his reputation; but he is always generous in his love. Love cannot stay at home; a man cannot keep it to himself. Like light, it is constantly travelling. A man must spend it, must give it away.
—Mauleod.

A Crown of Glory

A RECENT speaker referred to an aged Christian lady as one of the crowned heads of his acquaintance.

He was right, for there is no royalty so impressive as that of a head grown grey in the service of the Master.

was washing his hands at the kitchen sink; in a few minutes he would be ready for breakfast. She laid the table and made the tea while the bacon was frizzling, but before they sat down she caught him by the arm and led him, bewildered, to the window. "There!" she cried, "did you ever see a more beautiful sight?"

"Lots of times," said Pat, to tease her. "I'd sooner look at some bacon now; it smells good."

Biddy laughed. "You and your bacon," she said, good-humoredly. "I was offering you food for your soul." Then, still thinking of the calm white loveliness without, she added "But what an exactly correct morning for a New Year. All the ugliness, shabbiness and poverty covered with that robe of glistening purity—just as if the whole world was given a clean, white, unwritten page."

"Hm!" said Pat, munching his crusty roll. "That's right, my dear. Though I couldn't have put it in those words."

Biddy's eyes were shining. "God is so wonderful," she said softly. "He turns the land overnight into a vision of entrancing beauty that we may the better understand His desire to cover our transgressions and

Here and There about the House

By ELEANOR HOWE

PAPERING SHELVES

When placing fresh paper on shelves and in drawers, measure the drawers and write the measurements on a gummed label. Then place the label in an inconspicuous place under the paper so that no preliminary measuring is necessary the next time the job is done.

LEFT-OVER VEGETABLES

How to serve left-over vegetables? That's a problem, but it's easily solved. Store them in the refrigerator to accumulate until you have acquired enough to make several bowls of soup. There they will not attempt to give their flavors and odors to other foods and they will keep fresh and succulent. Then when you wish to prepare an after-school lunch for the children, merely put the vegetables through a sieve, add milk, butter, and seasoning, heat and serve as soup.



Shopping with a smile is made possible by the novel idea of having a wire vegetable rack clipped onto the frame-work of baby's carriage.

me, I was never permitted to despair.

"And now that I have left empty the house in which so much has happened, now when you are loading me with compliments, speaking with undeserved courtesy and kindness of what I have attempted to do as Lieut.-Governor of this great Province, it is now that I want to make public acknowledgment of my profound indebtedness to my wife—my companion at Government House, my staunch, steadfast comrade through all the years that have passed since the Great War.

"It was in France in the din of battle that I met her. Many are the hard battles we have faced together since then. The result has been victory only because of her constant inspiration to me, her brave sympathy and encouragement and understanding, to which no words of mine can ever hope to do justice and no action of mine can ever repay."

Here we have the wifely office justly glorified. These words, so ennobling, so purifying, so honoring to the one who uttered them as well as to the one for whom they were meant, were spoken in the presence of more than a thousand people, representative of the foremost and finest in Church, State, judiciary, industry and business, and were greatly enhanced thereby; they were likewise heard by many scores of thousands who listened on the radio; they are worthy of being perpetuated as a model of husbandly grace and gratitude.

GUEST APRONS

To make little aprons which can be worn by guests who insist on lending a hand with the dishes, take an 18 inch square of print cut on the bias, cut a wedge in one corner (to be used at the top), sew bias tape around all the edges, and attach tabs with inserted safety pins for fasteners at the top and side corners. These aprons make useful gifts as well.

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OFFICIAL GAZETTE

PROMOTIONS—

To be Major:

Adjutant Lillian Clarke.
Adjutant Annie Smith.
Adjutant Olga Schwartz.
Adjutant Mabel Thomas.

To be Adjutant:

Captain Olive Cameron.
Captain Clara Vey.
Captain Vera Jollymore.
Captain Marguerita West.

APPOINTMENTS—

Adjutant Nancy Wood to Thorold, Ont.
Adjutant Eleanor Webster to the Aged Men's Home, Toronto.

GEORGE L. CARPENTER,
Commissioner.

Said the Cynic: "I could have made a better world than this."

Said the Sage: "That is why God put you here. Go do it."

Notes and Comments

The Promise of the Year

SOMETHING more than politeness or regard for convention prompts the wish for a happy new year which is extended to every reader of The War Cry. To those who range themselves under our glorious banner of "Blood and Fire" the wish includes more than it can possibly include for others. A year of joy and peace is the paramount wish, because nothing is to be so desired in the world with its threatening and dreadful possibilities of international strife. Joy and peace are the true Salvationist's birthright. The joy that is unspeakable and full of glory because it bubbles up from God's eternal spring of love; the peace of a heart that is made free from sin, wherein Jesus, the Prince of Peace, abides. A year of peace—yes; but also a year of war, the war which wanes not against all that is wicked and selfish and unrighteous in every life, in every land. During the year that has closed The Army made encouraging progress in many directions within the borders of this Territory and over the face of the larger world. But it must, and will, go much faster yet. Upon that Commissioner Carpenter, who recently assumed command of The Army's battalions in Canada, has fixed his purpose, and in directions that are intimated in a manifesto which he has written for the adjoining page to this. The Salvation Army sky is full of promise. The Commissioner and his able wife, well blessed as they are with experience gained in some of the most important fields, have already given more

than a touch of freshness to Army life inside these wide Territorial boundaries, and the freshness of spirit has been allied to a definiteness of direction that is of the essence of successful warfare. But The Army's leaders cannot of themselves accomplish everything that is necessary or even possible of achievement. More Officers are needed to plan and work and sacrifice for the people's salvation, and those Officers need to be men and women possessed of the rare combination of brain power, will power, clearness and steadfastness of purpose, and a melting compassion for the multitudes who are dying in sin. More Soldiers possessed of the true spirit of godliness and daring must be enlisted to press forward the battle. More, many more, souls must be won by those methods of compulsion for which The Army is recognised to stand alone among the religious forces of the world. About nothing is the Commissioner more exercised than he is about this. The re-opening of the Training College has brought an accession of new spirit and youthful vigor to the fighting forces, and when the Cadets are commissioned they will add considerably to the field strength. Expansions of Social work are hoped for, and the chief hindrances to these are the restriction of funds and the eternal need of Officers to man the various stations of work. There is now taking place a considerable mobilization of the women of the Territory, under the guidance of Mrs. Commissioner Carpenter and Mrs. Colonel Peacock, in branches of service such as really devoted and trained women alone can do. As for The War Cry, renewed efforts will be made to realize its great purpose as a soul-saving medium, a recorder of Salvation progress, a champion of truth, a guide to opinion, and a winner of friends for The Army. Every member of the staff feels an increased measure both of responsibility and privilege, and hearts and brains and pens are reconsecrated for this great endeavor. It is only when one considers the time-wasting and soul-destroying trash which the printing presses of to-day are continually pouring forth that one learns truly to value in The Army's literature that which is not merely good and pure and elevating, but a finger-post to Heaven. The Editor receives many messages of appreciation and thanks from grateful readers, and the effect of these is not a mere feeling of personal satisfaction, but a spur to intensified effort. Thank God a thousand times for The War Cry and its beautiful globe-wide family, pursuing in something like ninety different countries and in more than eighty languages the same grand purpose. We appeal to every Officer, every boomer, every friend, to assist in getting The War Cry into the hands of a far larger section of the public, and especially of the unconverted.

BACK TO THE BATTLE

The GENERAL'S return to England

Repeats her Canadian and American Soul-Saving victories

ARRIVING in London, Eng., in mid-week from campaigning in Canada and the United States, General Evangeline Booth on the Sunday following led two great seasons of Salvation Army warfare characterized by trenchant addresses, triumphant prayer battles, and 138 people kneeling at the Mercy-seat.

The General was at Camberwell in the morning, one of the specially raw and dreary mornings with which London in the winter tests the equanimity of her children. Her first public words on British soil since her great Canadian and American Campaign, were "My heart overflows with praise to God for His goodness. He has been pleased to bless my campaigns in America and Canada. He has blessed The Army in those lands by preserving the spirit of our people. Their enthusiasm, their unsparing efforts to show their affection, their Salvationism, was a source of indescribable blessing to me. I saw the zeal of the veterans splashing over until it warmed the hearts of the younger comrades. I saw how

happy they are in their leaders and in their love for each other, and that I think is the most important of all! God's blessing was upon the campaign, so that we saw the Penitent-form crowded again and again, and great multitudes flocked to the meetings."

Thus, in a few graphic sentences, the General drew together comrades separated by many miles of restless waters and scenes divided by swiftly-passing years.

It was the soldier's report of the victory, terse and triumphant, and then on with the next operation.

For three-quarters of an hour the General spoke with an earnestness that impelled close following, declaring God's Good News, and recalling the vision of victory in Christ. The message, made so plain that none could misunderstand, closed with many searching questions, and there followed an hour and a quarter of that pleading and exhorting which in The Army is called, "fighting out the prayer-meeting." There were thirty-four seekers.

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A GREAT CHURCH says WELCOME

Honor for Commissioner Carpenter

CULTURE, courtesy and kindness were charmingly blended at a reception which leaders of the United Church of Canada gave to Commissioner Carpenter at the Church Headquarters in Toronto on Friday, December 17th.

The Right Rev. Peter Bryce, Moderator of the United Church, presided and with grace and sincerity told of the desire, of which that gathering was the fulfilment, to show the United Church's recognition of the coming to Canada of so worthy a spiritual leader as Commissioner Carpenter, and to express the Church's readiness to support him in his endeavors to extend the cause of Christ in the nation.

The Rev. C. H. Dickinson, the Book Steward, who was acting as host for the occasion, cordially professed the Church's admiration of The Salvation Army, not in any sense of patronage, but in humble acknowledgment that The Army undertook, and accomplished, tasks which the Church had been unable to do. They would like Commissioner Carpenter to feel that their Headquarters was open to him and that they were at all times at his disposal.

The Rev. Dr. Moore, a former Moderator, spoke with equal heartiness and good will, and the Rev. Dr. R. J. Wilson, Chairman of the Central Presbytery, emphasizing the willingness of the united bodies to give of their strength to The Salvation Army, declared, "The task before us is too heavy for a divided church."

Commissioner Carpenter confined his reply, in the main, to a declaration of his personal faith, a faith which supported him in the face of a formidable task as leader of The Army's spiritual campaign in the Canadian command. That campaign was rendered especially difficult by the existence of a good deal of practical paganism. But he had learned, especially in recent years, of God's power to intervene in circumstances of difficulty, just as he was daily aware of the immediate presence of the Holy Spirit. He was deeply appreciative of the kindly gesture of the United Church towards him.

The reception was largely attended. Accompanying the Commissioner were Colonel G. W. Peacock, Lieut.-Colonel Ernest Webb and Brigadier Noah Pitcher.

SPIRITUAL DAY

Commissioner and Mrs. Carpenter with the Cadets

SPIRITUAL DAY at the Training College, Toronto, was conducted on Monday, December 13th, by Commissioner and Mrs. Carpenter, and, true to the name, it was a day of many practical spiritual lessons and deep spiritual influences.

Success in the Salvation service to which the Cadets feel themselves to be called hinges on the strength of spiritual character more than it hinges on anything else; hence the amount of time and study and exercise that is devoted by them to the development of spiritual wisdom and strength; hence also the recurring days when all but entirely necessary College duties are suspended in order that time may be given to the culture of the soul, the investigation of problems, the search for new enlightenment, the quickening of higher impulses.

Such were the processes of this definitely helpful day, when Commissioner and Mrs. Carpenter in

turn drew upon their own rich and disciplined experience for admonition, instruction, nurture, encouragement. The teaching was practical in its application, stimulating in its effect.

The Commissioner brought to the remembrance of the Cadets that already nearly one-third of their time in the College had been passed. He was delighted with reports that had reached him of their development from the first imperfect, fearful realisation of God, to the exalting sense of being His chosen servants.

Ready at any and every instant to assist the Commissioner throughout the day was the Training College Principal, Brigadier Dalziel. Opportunities to address the Cadets were given to Lieut.-Colonel Webb, Brigadier Arthur Smith, Adjutant Dixon, Adjutant Gertrude Bloss, and Adjutant Elsie Stunell. Mrs. Lieut.-Colonel Webb gave an effective Bible reading.

THINGS I WANT TO SEE IN 1938

Some Reflections of Special Interest
to Salvationists

By
THE COMMISSIONER



Commissioner Geo. Carpenter

DURING the brief period since our arrival in Canada we have had the privilege of seeing a considerable portion of The Army from Newfoundland to Vancouver Island, and much that we have witnessed has gladdened our hearts. The Army is surely on the march in Canada.

On the threshold of a new year we look back with gratitude; we look forward with abounding hope—with glad confidence in the name and power of our Risen Christ.

An Army is for conquest. We praise God for every triumph of our Flag in Canada, also in Newfoundland, Alaska and Bermuda. Extraordinary spiritual happenings are associated with the life of our Organization in this Territory. Probably no more wonderful manifestations of Divine power have been witnessed in any command. With this in mind, and with the sins of the people flaunting themselves on every hand, I would seriously urge upon Salvationists the question—what of 1938?

We should prove untrue to our Lord and unworthy of our past were we to rest content upon past triumph. We must think of the victories gained hitherto only as a stimulus towards the greater victories that await our faith and courage NOW! Here are some developments and achievements that I wish to see in 1938:

An increase among us of a sense of responsibility for the souls of others.

This is an essential quality of Salvationism. I fear, however, there has been a tendency on the part of some Salvationists to weaken in this respect. Few manifestations would so gladden the heart of the Saviour as a widespread crying out to God for a renewal of a tender and compelling love for souls. An Army made passionate by reason of "the burden of souls" is invincible in the warfare of the Cross.

I am confident that the triumphs to which I have referred can be eclipsed in 1938, if only we as a people will give

ourselves in loving devotion, and without reserve, to individual effort for the Salvation of souls!

More loving concern and personal care for converts

Here are opportunities, for both Officers and Soldiers, for the exercise of the shepherd spirit. Sometimes men and women who are brought to decision in our meetings are allowed to drift away for lack of someone to follow up and encourage them. I fear that some promising converts, even during the short period that we have been in Canada, have been permitted to slip back into sin because some one failed in the delicate and most necessary "after-care" spirit. Numbers of converts, well meaning though they be, are almost as helpless as little babes. Let there be more of those who will care for the babes of our household of faith.

Increased efforts for the Young People

I am glad the General is making a call to the world-wide Army to give greater attention to young people who can be contacted by Salvationists. Everywhere children and youth are attracted by happy meetings; with their impressionable natures, they are particularly susceptible to a Christ-like love.

We must have more children at our Company meetings and Salvation meetings; more young people attending the Legion. I want to see the Corps Cadet Brigade functioning at every Corps. The influence of the Brigade all over the world upon young life has been truly glorifying to God. We must have more Scouts and Guards. I hope we shall secure at least ten per cent. increase in all sections of the Young People's War.

More Soldiers and Recruits

The past year has given us some new fighters; but there is much room for improvement in enlisting Soldiers. In sanguinary warfare battles are won by soldiers. Reverses are suffered when the fighting forces are reduced, or when they lose the spirit of conquest. I want to see an increase of ten per cent. in Soldiers at every Corps. Soldiers of the daring, blood-and-fire type!

More Salvation triumphs in our Social Institutions

We praise God for every triumph by the power of God in our Homes for men and women and children! But our victories here are by no means commensurate with our opportunities.

The Army Home is the only hope of many who are desolate in heart. There the business of the workers is infinitely beyond the mere providing of shelter and food. Any hireling can do that. Our Social services must bear the Divine stamp. The aim should be to give friendship to the friendless, and to introduce them to the love and friendship of the Saviour. We must bring more of the socially needy to the great Burden-bearer, and by the love of Christ create

hope in and bring deliverance to hearts where hope has died out.

More visitation in the homes of the people

Personal contact with the people has been one of the glories of the Salvationist—Officer and Soldier alike. A huge field awaits our presence and message in the homes of the people. What desolations and sorrows many Officers have discovered among the poor during the winter relief operations. But there are also multitudes of needy hearts in homes that are outside the poverty line. Here is an enormous area of virtually untouched opportunity. Some Officers, and equally some Soldiers, have been blessed with truly wonderful prosperity in the simple ministry of visitation.

More Home League Work and Membership

The Home League provides a unique method to influence both individuals and families. But we have touched little more than the fringe of our opportunities in this direction. Plans are afoot for establishing a bigger and better Home League in our midst. I feel that any service which helps to elevate the home life of the people is of true national importance, and so I say Advance, the Home League! Let us have a twenty per cent. increase this year!

More and better open-air fighting

The Army was born in the open-air. Its opportunities in streets and parks are matchless. There, to assembled crowds, or to those who merely pass by, the Gospel should be presented with conviction, and with gladness and hope. Multitudes of burdened people everywhere are needing our message. I want Salvationists to be more alive in 1938 to our privileges in the open-air of making known the love and power of the Saviour. And let us get out of the ruts! Open-air attacks at unusual hours are often greatly blessed of God. I should like to see a considerable extension of our open-air operations, and especially do I want to see the Word of God more thoughtfully and earnestly read in the open-air!

More Holiness Meetings, and more definite witness to the triumphant life

Herein is the abiding power of The Army. Power is not in our numbers, or our preaching, or our music, or our Social service. No! Not in any one or in all of these together. Our strength and power are to be found in a sanctified people, fired by the Holy Spirit! A people separate from the world in spirit and action. Passionately I desire that 1938 shall reveal more holy living amongst us; more witness-bearing for Christ.

The Campaign which has been planned for the early part of the year will help in the achievement of some of these objectives.

MOTTO FOR 1938:

*Every Soldier at his post
Every Soldier at his best*

Every Hour ^{AND} Every Power

Reports of Salvation activity from

CAMPAIGN CONQUESTS

Sackville, N.B. (Captains Stevens and Bayliss.) A two-day campaign was conducted by Major Urquhart, of Toronto, which brought blessing and inspiration.

On Thursday the Major conducted an after-school meeting which delighted the young folk.

The Salvation meeting resulted in the re-consecration of one person. Major Godden, of the Subscribers Department, gave good assistance in this meeting.

A full Hall greeted Major Urquhart on the following night when an unusual program was given. Rev. D. Caulkins, of Point de Bute, was the chairman.

On Sunday the Corps Cadets were to the front. A heart-searching message was delivered by Corps Cadet Mary Easterbrooks at night.

HELPFUL PAPERS

Toronto I, Ont. (Major and Mrs. Speller.) Recently the annual Home League sale of work was held. Mrs. Sidney Lambert opened the event. Mrs. Colonel Attwell was present, and Songster Mrs. Keith, of Dovercourt, sang.

At night Brigadier Owen presided over a program rendered by comrades from Lisgar Street, Rowntree, and Fairbank Corps. Mrs. Brigadier Owen was present and offered prayer. Captain Sims, of Rowntree, read the Scripture.

On Corps Cadet Sunday Corps Cadet Guardian Mrs. V. Hunt led the Brigade in the conducting of a large part of the day's meetings, including the reading of several helpful papers. The Major gave helpful spiritual talks both morning and evening from the letters of the words "Corps Cadets."—A.S.

QUARTER CENTURY OF SERVICE

Anniversary rejoicings at Hillhurst, Calgary

Hillhurst, Calgary, Alta. (Captain and Mrs. Slous.) Last week-end was celebrated the twenty-fifth Anniversary services. Thanksgiving to God was the theme of each meeting.

Commencing on Friday evening the Youth Group held an impressive "Life-boat" meeting, during which the Group motto "Onward to Conquer," was presented. A good crowd gathered and a happy evening was spent.

On Saturday afternoon many attended the Home League sale of work. Mrs. Adjutant Hill declared the sale open and a substantial sum was realized.

The Praise meeting on Saturday evening was led by Adjutant Barkly, of the Children's Home, assisted by Captain Hill, of Grace Hospital.

Adjutant and Mrs. Hill conducted the Sunday gatherings. Bandsman Darts, who has been associated with this Corps ever since its opening, gave a helpful talk in the Holiness meeting. Treasurer Horwood gave a glowing testimony. Mrs. Adjutant Hill's message re-stated the essentials of Christianity. Adjutant and Mrs. Hill sang "O Man of Galilee."

Mrs. Hill helped in the Company meeting.

Many gathered for the prayer-meeting prior to the evening open-air meeting.

Sister Mrs. Lockwood, who opened the Corps twenty-five years ago, spoke in the Salvation meeting of the advancement of the Corps. Retired Band - Secretary Tom Howarth encouraged the young people to go forward. Adjutant and Mrs. Hill brought a message in song, and the Adjutant brought a stirring message. One woman knelt at the Mercy-seat.

On Monday evening Soldiers and Adherents of the Corps partook of the Anniversary supper, following which Mrs. Captain Slous read letters of congratulation from Officers who had been stationed at the Corps.

The final gathering of the week-end was a musical festival by the Calgary Citadel Young People's Band. The program was presided over by Bandsman Bill Gray, of the Citadel. The Hall was filled to capacity and the fine items were thoroughly enjoyed.

B-A-T-T-L-E-G-R-A-M-S

ACTIVE HOME LEAGUE

Medicine Hat, Alta. (Major J. Reader, Adjutant J. McDowall.) Members of the Home League recently listened with pleasure to an address by Mr. W. Williams, Probationary Officer.

The Home League is actively engaged and numbers of garments have been given to needy families.

The annual sale was a success. Mrs. W. C. Osborne, president of W.C.T.U., presided, and her address was an instructive one.

DAY OF BLESSING

Niagara Falls I, Ont. (Adjutant and Mrs. Worthylake.) Last Sunday was a day of blessing to all the comrades. In the morning the Adjutant spoke and in the Salvation meeting Mrs. Worthylake brought a message on "The Good Samaritan." The comrades knelt around the Mercy-seat in prayer and their faith was rewarded with a mother and daughter seeking Salvation.

Brother Herbert Ritson has taken charge of the Band, and Brother Allison Worthylake has been commissioned as Songster-Leader.

NEW OFFICERS WELCOMED

Uxbridge, Ont. (Captain M. Graham, Cadet D. Wenborn.) Captain Graham and Cadet Wenborn were recently welcomed as the new Corps Officers.

Last Sunday we had with us Brother and Sister Wenborn, Bandsman Pickering and Wenborn, and the Songster-Leader from Kingston. The playing and testimonies of these comrades was a spiritual uplift.

SPIRITUAL UPLIFT

Esquimalt, B.C. (Captain Muttart, Lieutenant Thompson.) On a recent Sunday evening Rev. Mr. Hood, of the Esquimalt United Church, conducted the Salvation meeting and a profitable time was spent.

The following Tuesday evening we welcomed Captain and Mrs. Ross, of Grandview Corps, Vancouver, and received another spiritual uplift.

On a recent Sunday evening we were visited by Brigadier Junker, the Divisional Commander.—W.H.B.

EXCHANGED PLATFORMS

Riverdale, Toronto (Adjutant and Mrs. Bamsey), welcomed Adjutant Lorimer, who conducted a recent week-end's meetings. Blessing was the result of his inspiring messages. Adjutant Bamsey, the Commanding Officer, exchanged platforms with Adjutant Lorimer and a helpful day was spent in Oshawa.

GRASPING THE OPPORTUNITY

Gleichen Eventide Home, Alta. (Adjutant and Mrs. Sutherland.) Adjutant Hill, of Calgary, was a recent visitor and led the testimony period of the regular Thursday night meeting. The guest speaker was Rev. Mr. Wilkinson who gave a helpful message, stressing the importance of grasping each opportunity in life to lead souls to Christ. B.P.

NONAGENARIAN SHUT-IN

Westville, N.S. (Captains Coy and Brown.) Major Mundy, the Divisional Commander, with Mrs. Mundy, spent a week-end with us. Attendances were good. On Sunday afternoon the Major and his wife visited a ninety-two-year-old shut-in and sang favorite old hymns. The Major's talk brought blessing and caused heart-searching.—E.J.

AN UPWARD CLIMB

Lloydminster, Sask. (Captain Ronald Frewing.) We are glad to report that the work for God here is on the upward climb. Attendances at the meetings are encouraging.

A Youth Group has been organized and the Company meeting and Young People's Salvation meeting have been commenced.

The Home League has been re-organized.

LEARNING THROUGH EYE-GATE

Red Deer, Alta. (Captains Chiffence and Vanderheiden.) Major Acton, the Divisional Commander, spent a recent week-end with us.

An enthusiastic group of children gathered on Saturday afternoon to hear the Major, and the lessons taught by means of illustration were helpful. Refreshments brought this profitable gathering to a close.

The Spirit of God was manifested in our Sunday's meetings and we rejoiced over one person kneeling at the Penitent-form.

REOPENING THE CITADEL

Alterations at Saint John Brinley St. Corps

On a recent Monday evening an event of importance in the life of the Saint John Brinley Corps, N.B. (Captains F. Pyke and S. Curtis) took place when the newly-decorated building was re-opened. An essential part of the spiritual life of the people in Saint John's East End, the Corps has for many years been laboring under great disadvantage for accommodation of the young people's work and the Home League.

The entire structural alteration work was done under the supervision of Brother H. Whitenect, a Soldier of the Corps, who donated his time to the work.

To celebrate the re-opening a special "house-warming" program was arranged and piloted by the Divisional Commander. After a dedicatory prayer by Major J. Galway, and the hearty singing of the old

favorite "The Salvation Army is marching along," Mrs. Major Keith read the Scripture. The Saint John Citadel Band which contributed much to the program by way of band items, was directed by Bandsman Arthur Cavender in the absence of Adjutant W. Hawkes.

Vocal and pianoforte solos were rendered by Sister Mrs. G. Janes and Adjutant I. Henderson, and individual items were given by members of the visiting Band. Mrs. Major Godden closed in prayer.

On the following evening the Home League members under their new Secretary, Mrs. Major Godden, held their annual Home League sale of work. This was opened by the Divisional Home League Secretary, Mrs. Major Keith. A goodly crowd was present and the financial results constituted a record.

TWENTY SEEKERS

During the past three weeks at Digby, N.S. (Captain Mason, Cadet Rogers), twenty persons have knelt at the Mercy-seat.

Corps Cadet Sunday was a day of blessing. Corps Cadet Rogers speaking in the morning meeting on "The necessity for Holiness," and Corps Cadet Hodgson piloting the evening meeting on the subject of "Sin." A paper was read on "The advantages of being a Corps Cadet," and a quartet composed of four Corps Cadets sang. Hands were raised for prayer.

A number of the men Soldiers of the Corps gather in a boat on which one Soldier works, and hold a prayer-meeting each Sunday afternoon following the open-air meeting. On Sunday morning the mother of one of these boys sought Salvation.

VETERANS LEAD

Lippincott, Toronto (Adjutant and Mrs. Fisher.) Mrs. Brigadier A. Smith opened the Home League sale, and in the evening a program, presided over by Mrs. Colonel Taylor.

Corps Cadet Sunday was led by Colonel and Mrs. Attwell, who are Soldiers of the Corps. They were assisted by Sister Mrs. Knight, the Corps Cadet Guardian, and the Corps Cadets. On the Saturday night the lesson was taken by Corps Cadet Cecil Tupper. Colonel Attwell spoke on Sunday morning, and Mrs. Attwell at night. Corps Cadet Ruth Pratt read a fine paper on "The advantages of Corps Cadetship." At the close of the meeting one soul knelt at the Mercy-seat.

Last Sunday we had with us Major and Mrs. Woolfrey. The meetings were bright and cheerful. Two persons sought Salvation.

for Christ and Duty

many sectors of the battle-front

CORPS CADETS RALLY

Interesting series of meetings at Hamilton

On a recent Monday night at Hamilton II the Corps Cadets of the Ambitious City met for the second Rally of the arranged series. An increase in attendance was noticed.

The Rally was opened by the Divisional Commander, Brigadier Ritchie. Following a Bible reading by Corps Cadet Gladys Smith, a representative from each Brigade reported upon the work done by their Brigade on Corps Cadet Sunday. It was gratifying to hear how humble efforts had been rewarded, and souls had been saved. Some Brigades were in charge of the whole week-end's meetings, and

though fearful at first, they were able to report victory.

At the Rally those who had offered for Corps Cadetship the previous day were welcomed.

Lantern slides depicting Army history were shown and explanatory remarks made by Major Bracey. All present stood in a spirit of consecration while Mrs. Brigadier Ritchie prayed that the spirit of the Founder should come to each Corps Cadet.

A short session of recreation followed which took the form of a Bible knowledge game.

The Divisional Commander dismissed the gathering with prayer.

YOUTHFUL MUSICIANS

A well-arranged program by the Young People's Band at Saskatoon, Sask. (Adjutant and Mrs. Ede), took place on a recent Monday evening. Mr. C. A. Oulton, Superintendent of the public schools, was the chairman, and he showed keen interest in every effort of the boys. The audience which packed the Hall was appreciative of every item. Gordon McKeown, eleven-year-old soprano, and Freddy Newby, eleven-year-old cornetist, from Winnipeg, gave us particular pleasure with their items as well as blessing us with solos in the meetings on Sunday. Sister Mrs. L. Meiklejohn accompanied the recital numbers and gave many hours in the preparation of the interesting musical evening.

Bandsmen Jim and Bill McKie are mourning the loss of their Sister, Miss Jessie McKie, who though not a Salvationist was often among us. Reference was made to her passing in the Sunday night meeting during which the Band played "Promoted to Glory."

On Remembrance Sunday Adjutant Ede, appearing in his Royal Naval uniform, conducted a nautical meeting.

A happy social evening was held on a recent Tuesday evening, when we welcomed home the Songster-Leader and his bride.

FIFTY YEARS AGO

The Metropole, Montreal (Major and Mrs. Barclay.) Sergeant-Major Colley, accompanied by Songster E. Colley and Singing Company member B. Colley, conducted a recent Sunday morning meeting. It was the fiftieth anniversary of the day when in the same building the Sergeant-Major gave himself for service as a Salvationist.

On Sunday, December 12th, Major and Mrs. Steele and family were responsible for the meeting.

The men enjoyed the vocal duets of the girls, and the stirring words of Mrs. Steele. Bandsman W. Steele read the Scripture and a solo was sung by Junior Victor. The Bible message was brought by the Major.

Seven men raised their hands signifying a determination to serve God.

Barrie, Ont. (Adjutant Charlton, Captain Morgan.) On a recent Sunday evening Captain Morgan gave an inspiring message, at the close of which two persons came to the Mercy-seat for Salvation and two for reconsecration.

ADVANCES AT AMHERST

Amherst, N.S. (Captain J. Monk, Lieutenant Geo. Johnson.) We have concluded a three-day campaign with Major T. Urquhart.

The Sunday morning Holiness meeting was a Bethel to our souls. The Major, with Captain Monk and some of the comrades journeyed to Chignecto where the Major blessed the people with his music and singing. In the Salvation meeting the Major brought a stirring message, and we rejoiced over ten persons at the Mercy-seat. On Monday night Major Keith, Divisional Commander, presided over the musical program given by Major Urquhart.

On a recent Monday the Corps Cadets' spiritual meeting was led by Corps Cadet Guardian Mrs. Campbell. Corps Cadet M. Hicks led in prayer following which a bright testimony period was held. Lieutenant Johnson spoke of his call to Officership, after which the Guardian gave some words of advice.—E.T.

ANNIVERSARY

BLESSINGS

Hamilton III, Ont. (Major and Mrs. Kirbyson.) For the 25th anniversary of the opening of the Citadel, Major and Mrs. Bourne conducted the Sunday meetings. These Officers were in charge of our Corps at the opening of the Citadel.

Many old comrades and friends from other Corps joined us in the meeting of praise and thanksgiving. A special feature of the meetings was the cheerful singing of old and new choruses.

Spiritual advice and counsel marked the Major's messages. In the Holiness meeting two comrades came forward for consecration.

CHEERING THE MEN

Sherbourne Street Men's Hostel, Toronto (Major and Mrs. A. Smith.) On Thursday last a crowd of interested men attended the meeting at the Hostel. Visitors who added to the success of the meeting included Sister Stella Carpenter and Brother B. Hotchkiss. The men joined heartily in the singing of favorite choruses under the leadership of Brigadier Smith who later introduced the visitors.

Brother Hotchkiss sang two solos effectively, and Sister Carpenter played a pianoforte solo and afterwards related a story. Messrs. Victor and Hart played an instrumental duet.

On the previous Sunday three men sought Salvation.

THE FIRST GIFT

Many comrades and friends of Rowntree Corps, Toronto (Captain and Mrs. C. Sim) gathered together to pay tribute to Candidate E. McArthur who has been appointed to assist at Perth, Ont. This is the first gift to the Field that the Corps has made in its fifteen years of existence. Several spoke of the blessing that our comrade had been to them. Refreshments were served at the close.

Meetings on Sunday were in charge of Brother and Sister John Ward, of the Danforth Corps, and their messages were a source of blessing to all.

The Monday night meetings are becoming very popular with the young people in the district. Sister Mrs. Marshall who has been appointed our Band of Love Leader is a keen enthusiast, and along with her workers is responsible for this night's activities.

On a recent Saturday night these young people had charge of our meeting and a delightful program was enjoyed.—M.C.

LIFE-SAVERS ATTEND

Drumheller, Alta. (Major and Mrs. McEachern.) The work is steadily progressing and God is blessing our efforts. Much of the presence of God was felt in the Holiness meeting led by Major McEachern, who gave an inspiring message. At night the Life-Saving Scouts attended in a body for Divine service. The Citadel was well filled, and many new features made it an inspiring occasion.

"The challenge of Christ and His Cross" was the topic of a helpful talk by the Major.

The Band and Songster Brigade were well to the front during the week-end.

Brother Leech and family, who are going to live at the Coast, farewelled during this meeting. Brother Leech was a Company Guard, and Sister Leech a member of the Songster Brigade. The four boys were members of the Band and Life-Saving Scouts.

New members have recently been added to the Band.—M.G.L.

SONGS OF SALVATION

Windsor, N.S. (Adjutant and Mrs. B. Jennings.) On Wednesday last a group of comrades journeyed twenty-five miles to Summerville for a Salvation meeting. Brother William Pratt, who was Sergeant-Major of the Corps here for many years arranged for the use of the Baptist Church, which was filled with an expectant and enthusiastic congregation. The singing of the Salvation Army songs and choruses was a pleasing feature and the testimony period was a useful part of the meeting.

On Sunday last we had a visit from the Halifax II Band, Adjutant Hiscott accompanied the Band and the day was fully occupied with meetings indoors and outdoors. The Hall was filled for the evening meeting and two seekers were registered.

St. Stephen, N.B. (Adjutant and Mrs. DeChamp.) Corps Cadet Sunday was recently observed when Corps Cadets took active part in the day's meetings. One man reconsecrated his life to God.—T.D.

SALVATION MUSIC

Uxbridge, Ont. (Captain Graham.) A rousing week-end's meetings were conducted recently by the



Sister Mrs. Rouston, Kitchener, Ont., is ever ready to lend a hand with the Corps' special efforts. Our comrade sold some five hundred copies of The War Cry Christmas number.

Riverdale Citadel Band (Bandmaster H. Mills) and Adjutant Reg. Bamsey.

Markham, Stouffville and Port Perry were visited en route to Uxbridge on Saturday afternoon. The message in music, testimony and song was sounded out and resulted in many being blessed.

On Sunday the Band again motorized to Stouffville. After an inspiring open-air meeting a service was held in the local United Church. Rev. Mr. Aikinson welcomed the Band.

At 2.30 p.m., in Uxbridge, the Band had the privilege of playing to the Business Men's Bible Class. Mr. T. E. Gold, president, extended a warm welcome. Following this event an "Hour of Music" was rendered in the Music Hall. The evening open-air meeting was followed by a Salvation meeting led by Adjutant Bamsey in the Hall. An after-service followed in the United Church where Rev. Mr. Bishop paid tribute to the work of The Army.

The program upheld Army standards and consisted of solos by Songster McLennon, a pianoforte solo by Songster Jean McGarngal, instrumental and vocal quartets, songs by the Male Voice party and suitable Band selections.

HELPFUL VISITORS

The United Holiness meeting at Clinton, Ont. (Captain C. Bonar), drew a good crowd and consecrations were made for greater service.

Last Saturday afternoon the annual Home League sale of work was held in the Town Hall and proved a success.

A party of Salvationists from West Toronto Corps led the week-end meetings and interest was caused by the appearance of a small Band in the open-air meetings. In the Sunday evening meeting one backslider returned to God. The Spirit of God continues to move in our midst.—D.W.G.

The young people were to the front on Corps Cadet Sunday at St. Thomas, Ont. (Major and Mrs. Huband.) The Holiness meeting was in charge of Corps Cadet Sergeant Mrs. Payler. The Corps Cadets took charge of the Praise meeting and assisted Major Huband with the Salvation meeting. After a hard fought prayer-meeting four persons knelt at the Mercy-seat.

COMING EVENTS

Commissioner and Mrs. G. L. Carpenter

SHERBOURNE STREET HOSTEL: Fri-Dec 24
 TORONTO TEMPLE: Sat Dec 25 (Christmas Service)
 RIVERDALE: Fri Dec 31 (Watchnight Service)
 CHRISTIE STREET HOSPITAL: Tues, Jan 4
 HAMILTON: Fri Jan 7 (Officers' Council and United Holiness Meeting)

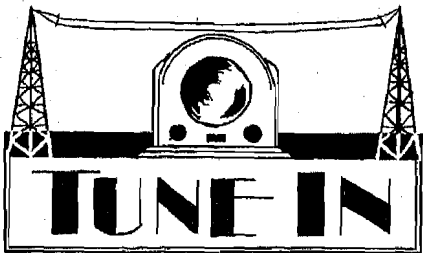
Colonel G. W. Peacock

Sherbourne Street Hostel: Fri Dec 24
 Toronto Temple: Sat Dec 25
 West Toronto: Fri Dec 31 (Watchnight Service)
 Hamilton: Mon Jan 3
 Peterboro: Wed Jan 5
 Belleville: Thurs Jan 6

BRIGADIER F. HAM
(Field Secretary)

Woodbine: Sun Dec 26

COLONEL ADBY: Lippincott, Sun Dec 26
 MRS. COLONEL TAYLOR: Lippincott, Sun Jan 9
 LIEUT.-COLONEL TYNDALL: Lippincott, Sun Jan 2
 Brigadier Best: Maisonneuve, Sun Dec 26
 Mrs. Brigadier Ham: Riverdale, Sun Jan 9
 Brigadier Pitcher: Wychwood, Sun Dec 26
 Brigadier Riches: Todmorden, Sun Dec 26; Greenwood, Sun Jan 2
 Brigadier Ritchie: Hamilton I, Fri Dec 31; Mon Jan 3; Hamilton II, Fri 7 (United Holiness Meeting); Listowel, Sun 9
 Brigadier Spooner: Parliament Street, Sun Jan 2
 Brigadier Ursaki: Orillia, Sat-Sun Dec 25-26
 Major Bracey: Hamilton I, Mon Jan 3; Hamilton II, Tues 4; Hamilton IV, Wed 5; Hamilton IV, Sun 9
 Major Green: Wychwood, Mon Dec 27
 Major Haynes: Byng Avenue, Sun Jan 9
 Major Keith: Saint John, Sat Dec 25; Saint John Brindley Street, Sun 26; Saint John Citadel, Fri 31; Saint John, Fri Jan 7 (United Holiness Meeting); Woodstock, Sun-Mon 9-10
 Mrs. Major Bourne: Hamilton III, Tues Jan 4
 Mrs. Major Woolcott: Hamilton V, Thurs Jan 6



BRANTFORD, Ont.: CKPC. Every Sunday, from 9.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. (E.S.T.), devotional period with music by the Citadel Band.
 CHATHAM, Ont.: CFCC. Every fourth Sunday, from 1.45 to 2.45 p.m. (E.S.T.), and every Saturday from 1.15 to 1.30 p.m. Devotional period.
 EDMONTON, Alta.: CJCA, from 4.30 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. (Mountain Standard Time), third Sunday of each month until June, 1938, Edmonton Citadel Young People's Singing Company (W. A. Eadie).
 HALIFAX, N.S.: CHNS (930 kilos.) and short wave transmitter VESHEX, 49.02 metre band, every Sunday from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. (Atlantic Standard Time), the Halifax I Corps "Sunshine Hour," featuring the Citadel Band and Songsters. Each Wednesday, from 9.00 a.m. to 9.15 a.m., "Morning Devotions."
 KIRKLAND LAKE, Ont.: CJKL. Every Wednesday, from 10 a.m. to 10.15 a.m. (E.S.T.) Vocal or instrumental items, prayer, and Bible address.
 KITCHENER, Ont.: CKCR. Every Sunday, from 4.00 to 4.45 p.m. (E.S.T.), a program of music and song.
 PRINCE ALBERT, Sask.: CKBI. Daily from 7.45 a.m. to 8.00 a.m. (Central Standard Time), Devotional period.
 SUDBURY, Ont.: CKSO. Daily from November 29th to December 4th, from 8.45 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. (E.S.T.) Devotional period.
 VANCOUVER, B.C.: CKMO. Every Thursday, from 9.00 to 10.00 p.m. (Pacific Time), the "Back Home Gospel Hour." Every Friday from 7.30 to 8.00 p.m. a radio quartet.
 VICTORIA, B.C.: CFCT. Every third Sunday, from 9.30 to 10.15 p.m. (Pacific Time), a broadcast by the Esquimalt Corps.
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THE CHIEF SECRETARY
IN MID-ONTARIO

Eventful meetings at Orillia and Barrie

COMRADES and friends of Orillia, Ont., were much blessed by the week-end visit of the Chief Secretary, Colonel Peacock, and Mrs. Peacock; and from Saturday night's praise meeting to the women's meeting on Monday afternoon considerable interest was aroused.

The Colonel's Sunday afternoon address, "The Ministry of the Curbstone," was attended by Mayor John Good, the Rev. W. E. Baker, of the United Church, and several other prominent citizens. The Corps Band and Songsters filling the platform, the flag-draped reading desk, and a huge basket of glorious blooms, with a goodly, and most attentive audience, made a very attractive setting.

At the close of a stirring address by the Colonel in the Salvation meeting four seekers knelt at the Mercy-seat.

Mrs. John Good was the guest at the women's meeting, making a brief but gracious speech. Mrs. Huffman, of the Women's Relief Committee, and Sister Mrs. Smith, also spoke words of appreciation of Mrs. Peacock's address and efforts.

Recently the Home League sale was held with pleasing results; a delightful program being given at night, with Mrs. Laurie Rowe, an

ardent League worker, filling the chief role.

Brigadier and Mrs. Ursaki, and Adjutant Flora Garnett, together with the Corps Officers (Adjutant and Mrs. Thomas Ritchie), were present at all meetings; the Brigadier acting as chairman, and Mrs. Ursaki.—A.L.B.

On Monday evening the Chief Secretary, Colonel Peacock, and Mrs. Peacock accompanied by Brigadier and Mrs. Ursaki, proceeded to Barrie. The Colonel's father was one of The Army's first converts in this town, and he himself was born in the vicinity.

The Colonel addressed the Kiwanis Club before the evening meeting, held in the Central United Church. The United Church choir was in attendance and provided some delightful vocal selections. A male quartet also sang.

Words of welcome were extended to Colonel and Mrs. Peacock by His Worship the Mayor, representing the citizens of Barrie, the Rev. Dr. Shortt, on behalf of the Ministerial Association, and Adjutant Charlton and Corps Sergeant-Major Harris on behalf of the Corps. Colonel Peacock held the attention of the audience during his address, which made a profound impression.—M.G.

Big Figures and Good Stories
of Women's Social Service in BritainMrs. Neville Chamberlain and Viscountess Astor
sound The Army's Praises

INFLUENTIAL support to and praise of the Women's Social Work of The Salvation Army was given at the fifty-third anniversary held recently in London, Eng. Mrs. Neville Chamberlain, wife of the British Prime Minister, who presided, declared her intense admiration of The Army, which, she said, was recognized as a tremendous social force in the country. "Its people," she remarked, "are the friends of the homeless, the helpless and the poverty-stricken. The Army gives them a personal and a spiritual friendship which helps them to face life in a different way."

Referring to the Scripture passage which had been read. Mrs. Chamberlain declared that the words: "He hath anointed me to preach the Gospel to the poor . . . to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captive, put perfectly the aims of the work of The Salvation Army."

In a witty and vigorous speech, Viscountess Astor, M.P., referred to the warm admiration for The Army which had always been expressed by the Prime Minister and Mrs. Neville Chamberlain.

"No wonder you Salvationists are cheerful," she exclaimed, "My family always say that if mother hadn't entered the House of Commons she would have gone to The Salvation Army."

Reporting on extensions of the work during the year Commissioner Catherine Bramwell Booth stated that in June the Countess Baldwin opened an isolation block at the Mothers' Hospital. During the year 1,596 births had taken place at the hospital, and there had been over 31,000 attendances at the anti-natal clinics. In addition, 3,730 babies had been born in The Army's hospitals, homes and district nursing centres in the British Isles.

The Commissioner told many moving stories, disclosing that the youngest expectant mother in The Army's care at the present time is a child of thirteen years.

Last year 61,000 visits back to the Homes where they had once been inmates were paid by girls and women; 16,490 letters were written to them.

An outstanding event was the opening of a new Women's Hostel in Glasgow, with accommodation for 200 women. In the first meeting a woman, who since she was fifteen years of age had been an outcast on the streets of Glasgow, was one of the seekers at the Mercy-seat.

When the Officer showed one of the old ladies to her room she stood at the door aghast.

"My dear, it's too lovely for me," she quavered, and, stooping down, she removed her broken shoes before entering.

Personal Paragraphs

While at Kingston, Ont., Colonel Peacock visited the Portsmouth Penitentiary, and also addressed the regular weekly luncheon of the Kiwanis Club at the LaSalle Hotel.

On Monday evening, December 20th, the Chief Secretary, accompanied by Brigadier Riches, Divisional Commander, paid a visit to the Bowmanville Training School and conducted meetings with the boys in the various cottages.

The Chief Secretary is announced to conduct a Corps Cadet Rally at Hamilton, Ont., on Monday evening, January 3rd.

Mrs. Colonel Attwell has been bereaved of her sister, Miss Nellie Frink who went from Toronto to Brockton, Mass., to take care of another sister who was ill. She died of pneumonia after two days' illness, and was buried in Sarnia, Ont. Miss Frink was at one time forewoman in the bindery at Territorial Headquarters.

Brigadier F. Ham, the Field Secretary, represented the Commissioner at a recent meeting of the Toronto Ministerial Association of the United Church held in the auditorium of the Willard Hall.

Brigadier Bunton, Divisional Commander of the London and Windsor Division, has been appointed a member of the Vocational Guidance Committee to work in co-operation with the Board of Education. The Brigadier has also been made a director of the Family Service Bureau, and a member of the executive committee of the Old Boys' Association.

Through Mrs. Brigadier Murphy members of the Detroit Home League sent Christmas gifts of new clothing to children of Officers in the drought area of Saskatchewan.

Major and Mrs. Boshier, of Montreal on Christmas Day celebrated their silver wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Major Sanford, of Lindsay, Ont., who suffered injuries as the result of a fall some time ago, is now making good progress.

A recent visitor at Territorial Headquarters was Commandant Charles J. Bearchall, of New York City, a veteran Officer who entered The Army's service from Nanaimo, B.C., in 1892. He has three Officer-children in the United States.

Mrs. Adjutant Hiltz, who with her husband is stationed at Hamilton I, Ont., has suffered the loss of her mother, who was recently promoted to Glory.

Mrs. Ensign Mardall, widow of Ensign Mardall, who was promoted to Glory from the "Empress of Ireland," is at present in the General Hospital, Toronto.

Captain and Mrs. Wilfred Ratcliffe, of the Alberta Avenue Corps, Edmonton, wish to thank many friends for messages of sympathy received in the bereavement of their youngest son, Edward Carl. The other boy is still a patient in the Isolation Hospital.

Mrs. Captain TerTelgte, who as Captain Joy Mason went from Canada on missionary service, and who is now stationed with her husband in the Celebes, has been bereaved of her father, a staunch Ottawa Salvationist. Adjutant Mary, of the Eastern Territory of the United States, is another Officer-daughter.

Captain and Mrs. Baxter Evans, of Hant's Harbor, Nfld., have welcomed an infant daughter to their home.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DAYS

Commissioner and Mrs. Carpenter will conduct councils for young people at the following centres:

Toronto East (Jarvis Street Collegiate)	Jan. 16
Hamilton (Oddfellows Hall)	Jan. 23
Ottawa	Jan. 30
London (London Life Auditorium)	Feb. 6
Montreal	Feb. 13

THE GENERAL

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In the evening the General was at the older Army centre, the Clapton Congress Hall. There she faced an unusually interesting crowd which packed the building.

From two great blocks of seats flashed gleaming military buttons, badges and medals pinned to the breasts of a big crowd of Naval and Military Leaguers (service-men Salvationists) who were at Clapton for their annual week-end rally. Their wives and children wore white rally discs so that they together presented the appearance of a concourse of congress delegates.

During the meeting the British Commissioner called upon the Naval and Military Leaguers to rise and give a salute to the General, who, standing in reply, spoke of her joy at having in the meeting representatives of the "heroes of land sea and air." Then, with the soldiers and sailors on their feet, she declared: "May God grant that all strife between nations shall cease!" Like a loud volley came the "Amen!" from the men of the fighting forces.

The General's address was again a pageantry of words in which came familiar figures, the ordinary people on the stage of life passing before the mental vision of the listeners — fathers, mothers, children, friends — clothed with a new significance as the speaker wrestled to speak in order that the Kingdom might come into human hearts.

The British Commissioner spoke the first words of invitation, holding fast to the silence which followed the subdued noise made by the crowd kneeling to pray. Then, almost at once, from far back came a woman in red and blue, walking alone amid the crowd.

From the extreme raised end of the building a young man marched with squared shoulders to the Mercy-seat; a man in military uniform broke from the mass to the left of the platform and knelt to pray. The second woman to surrender came also from a distant part of the Hall. She had never before been to an Army meeting.

A Crowded Mercy-seat

Then the pace quickened, but still in silence, until the Penitent-form was crowded.

The old refrain, "God is near Thee, tell thy story," became the vehicle of invitation, sung first by the congregation; then the Clapton Congress Hall Songsters echoed the refrain, and again a Congress Hall Bandsman's clear tenor voice took up the tender lines, all the while seekers crowding to the Mercy-seat, young men and young women in the majority.

A lad, attracted by the public announcements, who had never been to an Army meeting, knelt at the Mercy-seat, confessing that he had never prayed in his life.

At ten o'clock the Congress Hall Band was still providing the accompaniment for hearty singing, and all over the building faces were glowing with the inspiration of a prayer battle, in which a hundred had surrendered.

Some of the penitents went back and brought their friends. One of the last to surrender was a man seen in the crowd by the General from the platform. She sent some one down to make an inquiry, and was herself soon afterward pleading with this tortured man, who declared that God had given him up. But the General's address had so closely touched his own circumstances and now she was herself by his side, renewing his dead hopes and praying and pleading, until at last she was able to lead him to the Mercy-seat, to the joy of those who for years had prayed for him. He bowed his grey head where a boy of six and a half had knelt "to give himself to Jesus."

The Chief of the Staff and the International Commissioners supported the General morning and night.

CAMPAIGNING AT WEST TORONTO

Commissioner and Mrs. Carpenter lead inspiring Christmas Sunday Meetings

ONCE a separate township surrounded by delightful farms and orchards, but long since overtaken and absorbed by the swift industrial and residential development of the parent city, West Toronto was the scene of the Territorial leaders' activities on Sunday, December 19th. Three uplifting gatherings were held; one in the clean, compact and cosy Citadel on Keele Street, two in the Apollo Theatre, adjacent to the busy main street intersection in this progressive district.

Giving their best support during the day were Brigadier A. E. Dalziel, Training College Principal, Mrs. Dalziel, the Training Officers and Cadets, as well as the Corps

brought enlightenment and help to her hearers. Providing an interesting historical setting to her theme, she emphasized the need of holy living in a godless world. "In The Army of to-day," she said, "we are called to lives of purity, sacrifice, self-surrender and service, just as much as the Christians of Paul's day. Are you, my comrades, known in the world, the workshop and the home by your pure, loving and radiant lives? Too often, also, there is little or no difference in the lives of many professing followers of Christ."

A season of prayer and consecration, led by the Training Principal, brought this profitable meeting to a close.

foundation for the entire group.

At the conclusion of the address, which was well applauded by the audience, Alderman Gardner moved a hearty vote of thanks and this was seconded by Mr. Bolsby, representing the Lions Club.

During the afternoon Mrs. Commissioner Carpenter, accompanied by Brigadier Aldridge, the Women's Social Secretary, paid a visit to the Mercer Reformatory for Girls, situated in the west-end of the city. A bright service was held and Mrs. Carpenter's helpful address found fertile soil for the seed to germinate.

In many respects the Salvation meeting, conducted by Commissioner and Mrs. Carpenter in the Apollo Theatre at night, was the crowning effort of the day. The building was well filled, an excellent spirit prevailed and the various exercises of the gathering met with an eager response from the audience. Following the opening song Colonel Hargrave offered prayer and Mrs. Brigadier Dalziel read a Bible portion. The Band and Songsters each contributed effective selections, and the Training College Quartet sang "Bending low."

Mrs. Commissioner Carpenter gave a message that awakened an echo in many hearts and set desires reaching heavenward. She bid the unsaved in the audience to look to Christ and live.

The Triumph of Grace

The Commissioner's Salvation address was based on the Christmas theme, setting forth the wonder and glory of Christ's advent to the world and extolling the triumph of His redeeming grace. His words brought blessing to the saved, conviction to the unconverted, and an urge to the backslider to return to the Father's House.

In the prayer-meeting the efforts of Heaven's forces were allied to those of God's people, and one soul was born into the Kingdom. Without doubt great good was the outcome of this meeting, which finalized the day's campaign.

NOVA SCOTIA NEWS

Major and Mrs. Mundy recently visited Westville, where Captains Coy and Brown had arranged interesting meetings. On Sunday afternoon a radio was installed in the Citadel and the congregation joined in the "Sunshine Hour" broadcast from Halifax Citadel.

Corps throughout the Division are to take active part in the Week of Prayer held early in January.

During a recent week-end campaign at Liverpool Major Mundy spoke at the Baptist Church. He also addressed two large audiences in the Oddfellows Hall, Major Geo. Davis, the Commanding Officer, also arranged a Saturday night special, at which Major and Mrs. Mundy gave a musical program and showed slides of Army work throughout the Division.

On Monday night the Divisional Commander and his wife conducted a profitable meeting at Lunenburg, where Captains Pearl Fader and Grey are stationed.

Adjutant Fred Barker is planning to visit the Division during the first few months of the New Year.

Commandant and Mrs. Hargrove's visit to the Division was decidedly successful and it is hoped they will return to do further campaigns.



A diminutive miss contributes her mite to the Christmas Cheer Kettles in Toronto

Officers, Adjutant and Mrs. Reginald Gage. The Band and Songsters were out in full force to assist with the music.

A pair of gaily-decorated Christmas trees gave a seasonable touch to the Citadel platform in the morning and appropriate reference was made to the forthcoming festive season. The singing of choruses, led by the Training Principal, and appropriate selections rendered by the Corps' musical combinations, contributed much to the helpfulness of this meeting.

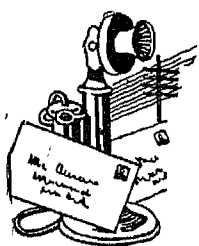
"The great purpose of the Sunday morning Holiness meeting is to revive and stimulate the spiritual life of all who gather for this purpose," averred the Commissioner, who also pointed out the vital need for enlargement of heart and vision. "I would like to see an 'enthusiasm of love' for those great purposes for which Christ came into the world," he declared. At his special request the Training College Quartet sang an old song, "The sight which charms me most," the chorus of which was readily taken up by the veteran-comrades.

Mrs. Carpenter's Bible message

The afternoon gathering in the Apollo Theatre was presided over by a warm Army friend, Controller W. J. Wadsworth, who following a brief introduction by Brigadier Dalziel, spoke kindly of The Army's work. He mentioned especially a number of remarkable conversions which had come under his observation, these having aroused his intense interest and admiration. "The Army helps the administrators of the city's business to solve many difficult problems, and we are deeply appreciative of this aid," he said.

Mrs. Carpenter's reading of a selected Bible portion brought blessing to many hearts, and a short program of musical items provided by the Band, Songsters and Band Vocal Quartet, was likewise much enjoyed.

Presented by the chairman, Commissioner Carpenter gave an address which revealed to the attentive audience the vast scope of Army operations the world over. Graphic glimpses of Social, Missionary, and Spiritual activities were plentifully supplied by the speaker, who was careful to stress the important fact that the last-named provided the



WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU!

The Salvation Army will search for missing persons in any part of the globe, befriend, and, so far as is possible, assist anyone in difficulty.

One dollar should, where possible, be sent with enquiry, to help defray expenses.

Address the Men's Social Secretary, 20 Albert Street, Toronto 2, in the case of men, marking "Enquiry" on the envelope. In the case of women, please notify the Women's Social Secretary, 20 Albert Street, Toronto.

CORRELL, Eric William Theodore—Born at Hadebroke, Jordkvarn, Sweden, August, 1884. Served in the United States Army during the Great War. Missing sixteen years. Wrote to his brother in Detroit from Alaska, giving no address. Sister anxious. M-3161

RINDLISBACHER, Arnold—Born in Walkringen, Ct., Berne, Switzerland. Divorced. Mason by trade. Last known address 1691 Seminole Street, Windsor, Ont. Without news since April, 1935. An aunt is anxious to hear. M-2141

CALLIGHAN Family—Left England fifty-four years ago for Canada. Family consisted of Thomas, Ellen, Kate and Maggie. Last heard of thirty years ago, in Toronto. Thomas, the eldest, would now be seventy-one. Sister enquiring. M-3102

JENSEN, Johannes Andreas Lockert—Born Bjornskin, Norway. Age 32; blond hair; blue eyes; slight build. Left Norway, 1927. Last heard from General Delivery, Vancouver. Was salmon fisher; owned own motor boat. Father anxious. M-3081

HAVE, Robert—Age 44; height 6 ft.; dark-brown hair; grey eyes; fair complexion. Irish. Last known address 155 Cedarvale Avenue, Toronto. Relatives anxiously enquiring. M-2765

NYGARD, Ivar Tormod Jonassen—Born Sarpsborg, Norway. Age 28; dark complexion; dark hair; brown eyes; last known address J. Stephens, Mannette, Lake Lower Nicola, B.C. Last heard from in 1932. Mother anxiously enquiring. M-3053

GRACEY, Samuel—Born at Richmond, Ont. Age 50; single; height 5 ft. 5 ins.; brown hair; grey eyes. Missing thirty-five years. Last known address Soda Creek. Farm hand and bush worker. Brother anxiously enquires. M-3014

TAYLOR, Benjamin—Age 50. Native of Bilston, Staffs., England. Thought to be farming in Muskoka district. Sister enquires. M-3071

PEACH, Thomas Eli—Left England in Sept., 1913, when 13 years of age. Worked on a farm. Last known address Gasperaux, Station, Queen Co., N.B. Height 5 ft. 7 ins.; red hair; dark eyes. Aged mother anxious for news. M-1809

ROGERS, Fred—Age 53. Born at Liverpool. Last known address, Moose Jaw, in 1916. Brother enquires. M-3099

GOSSELIN, George Henry—Son of the late Joseph Gosselin, Richmond, Que. Age 43; height 5 ft. 5 ins.; weight 140 lbs.; clear skin; dark hair; blue eyes; dark complexion. Supposed to have lived in Montreal. Worked as stenographer-secretary for Grand Trunk Rly. Insc., also for some years in freight office C.N.R., Richmond. Important. M-3126

FRANK, Holger—May be known as Peter Thompson. Age 38; height 5 ft. 11 ins.; fair hair; blue eyes; fair complexion. Missing since July, 1937. Last known address Lakeview Tower Hotel, St. Agathe, Que. Occupation waiter and cook. M-3128

WEBB, Harry—Age 26. Left England, 1928; last known address North Battleford, Sask. Medium height; brown hair; blue eyes; fresh complexion. Native of Bristol; farm worker. Parents anxious. M-3073

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REMEMBER THE SALVATION ARMY IN YOUR WILL!

THE SALVATION ARMY is a great League of Mercy and Pity raised up to help and bless humanity. We have no large and rich membership to support this work, and depend entirely upon the generosity of our friends.

Our needs at this time are extremely great, necessitating funds far beyond our ability to raise in ordinary contributions. Will you not make a provision in your will for a contribution to, or an endowment of, the work of The Salvation Army, which is legally competent to accept all bequests and devices made for its benefit.

Friends or their solicitors are invited to write COMMISSIONER GEORGE L. CARPENTIER, 20 Albert Street, Toronto, Ont., for further information.

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EXTRACTS FROM A FEW RECENT TESTIMONIALS

Windsor, Ont.

January 15th, 1937

Enclosed please find cheque, being payment for uniform pants received to-day. They are an excellent fit. Thank you for your prompt service.

Saint John, N.B.

April 23rd, 1937

A word of thanks for a perfect fitting tunic.

Smith's Falls, Ont.

April 7th, 1937

I am sorry I delayed so long in writing to let you know I received my dress. I was pleased with it. The fit was perfect.

London, Ont.

June 29th, 1937

We have received the dresses all right. Kindly inform the dressmaker that they fit perfectly.

North Battleford, Sask.

October 30th, 1937

This is just a line of appreciation for the splendid job done on my tunic and for getting it back to me in such a short time. I am very well satisfied and am grateful to you.

Galt, Ont.

December 6th, 1937

They are both well pleased with their uniforms and they looked smart in them over the week-end. They desired us to thank you for the splendid fit in each case and for the service being so prompt.

Hamilton, Ont.

December 8th, 1937

I must acknowledge your prompt and careful attention to my order respecting the band tunic. It arrived in good time. As far as the fit of the tunic goes I must say that it is perfect and I am well satisfied.

Address all communications to:

THE TRADE SECRETARY

20 ALBERT STREET,

TORONTO, ONT.

Seeing Prophecy Fulfilled

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may once more obtain possession of their native land." The foremost exponent in the British Isles of the establishment of a Jewish home in Palestine was the seventh Earl of Shaftesbury. In 1838 he pleaded with various nations to co-operate in the project, saying: "Everything seems ripe for their return."

"Man proposes, but God disposes. The project was not accomplished. In the timepiece of God's eternal purposes the hour for the return of the Jews had not yet struck. It was only after the world war that the words of the Psalmist were fulfilled: "Thou shalt arise and have mercy upon Zion; for the time to favor her, yea, the set time, is come (Psalm 102:13)."

This is indeed "the set time" to favor Zion. All the world is witnessing the way in which the God of Israel is helping forward and directing the work or rebuilding Palestine even in troublous time. No one will deny that the Jews have worked hard and heroically. But the remarkable results that have been achieved are due first and foremost to the favor and blessing of God upon their efforts. The transformation that has taken place in Palestine during the past fifteen years is perhaps unparalleled in history in so short a space of time.

In the succeeding chapters we hope to tell of the further progress made even during the two short years since our previous visit; of the continued growth of the colony and of the cities, such as Tel Aviv and Jerusalem; of the tragic loss of life and destruction of property during the strike and riots of 1936 of the new crises that are confronting both Jews and Arabs through the suggested partition of the land and to answer from God's Word the question, "Who owns Palestine and to tell of the future glory of the land and of the chosen people. (To be continued)

REQUESTS FOR PRAYER

Gleichen Eventide Home, All (Adjutant and Mrs. Sutherland.) (A recent Sunday a meeting was held in the hospital where two men requested prayer on their behalf.

Sister Pye led the regular Thursday night meeting. On Sunday we were favored with a visit from Miss Hughes who gave a time message. At the close of the meeting two men raised their hands for prayer.—B.P.

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DUNCAN, John—Born at Belfast, Ireland; age 60; height 5 ft.; red hair; blue eyes; fresh complexion. Left Ireland, 19 and last heard of in March, 1928. Still fireman by occupation. May be known as Robert Davidson. M-1

BURNS, Peter, also Mrs. Ellen Curtis. Resided formerly at Montrose Avenue, River Street, Toronto. Brother Edward Vancouver is anxious to know whereabouts. M-3

McLAUGHLIN, Daniel—Born at Balargus, Redcastle Co. Ireland, 1887. Fisherman and general laborer, and last heard of eleven years ago from Idaho, U.S. Thought married and living in Canada. M-3

LEPISTO, Charles—Known as K. Adolf Lepisto—Born at Ruovesi, Finland; age 37; single; blond hair; leg hurt forest accident. Left Finland in 1923; last heard of in 1933; last known address Pearl, on C.P.R., Ont. Brother anxious. M-2

MILES, Cyril Frederick—Age 35; height 5 ft. 8 ins.; brown hair; grey eyes; fair complexion; high cheek bones. Insurance agent; may be a carpenter or woodworker. Left home in March, 1932 and not been heard of since. M-1

NORMAN, Arthur—Age 33; height 6 medium dark hair; grey eyes; fair complexion. Missing since 1930. Thought to be in New Brunswick or Saskatchewan. M-1

YOUMELL, Lillian or Mrs. Jack Atkinson—Age 42; height 5 ft. 2 ins.; brown hair; blue eyes; fair complexion. Born Cornwall, Ont. Has been missing since 1925. Sister anxiously enquires. M-1

VIRTANEN, Frans Nestor—Born Kauvatsa, Finland; age 42; married; fair complexion; blue eyes. Left Finland 1923; was employed as a smith. Relatives enquiring. M-1

SLUCHINSKY, Steve—Age 60; Ukrainian; height 5 ft. 7 ins.; fair complexion; long hair and beard. Last heard of in 1937 at 130 Niagara Street, St. Catharines. May be in a blind institution. M-1

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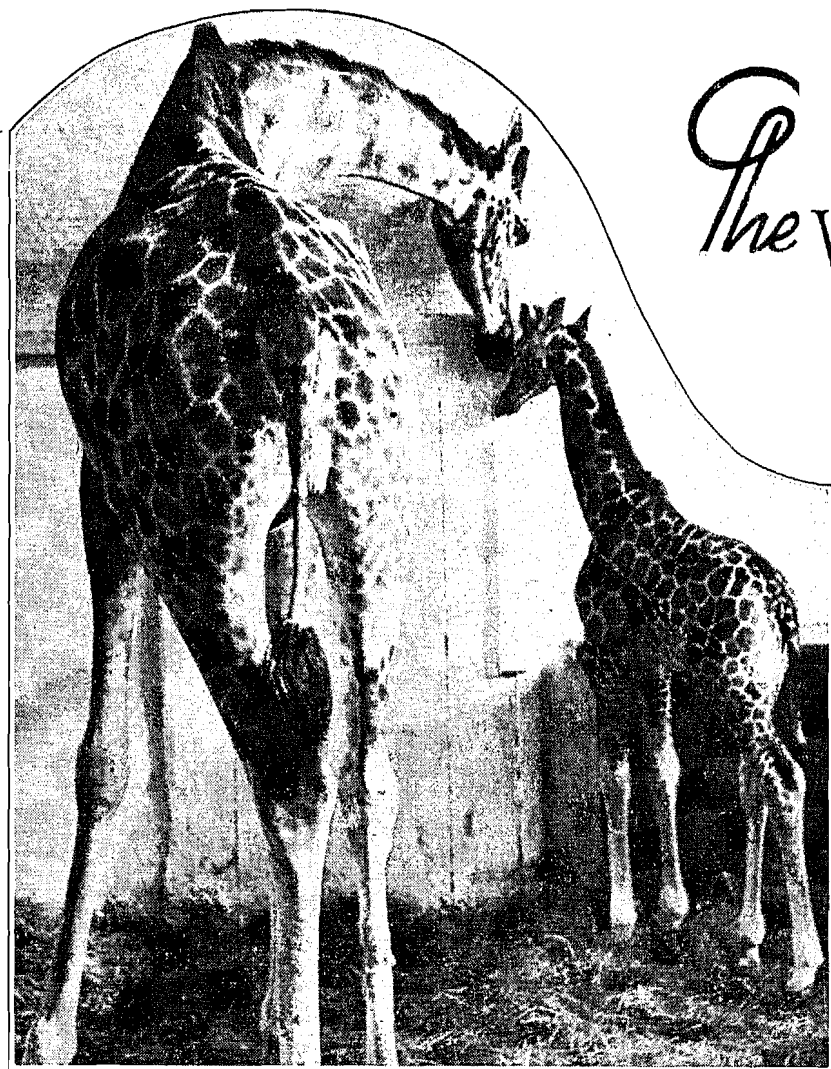
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Pax, a baby giraffe of Belle Vue, Manchester, though not a month old, is already six feet tall and eating hay. Here Pax is seen receiving some motherly advice from Mary.

The VOICELESS GIRAFFE

A strange creature that is taller than all others

ALTHOUGH giraffes live in herds of from five to forty animals, and seem to enjoy company, it is a very silent life which they lead. No songs are heard, and no glad cries break the silence of the African veldt, for in spite of their long, capable-looking necks, they cannot utter a single sound, because they have no vocal chords. Thus the tallest animal in the world is also a voiceless one!

The immense neck of the giraffe gives him an almost comical look, so that hundreds of years ago the Greeks and Romans captured him to make their parades more amusing. At that time they were called Camelopards (partly because of their resemblance in color to the leopard), but this name has fallen into disuse. The accepted term, "giraffe," means "to walk slowly" and is derived from the Arabic "zaraf."

With his long neck the giraffe can reach the young leaves high up on the mimosa trees, of which he is very fond, and his short hairy coat of light fawn marked with darker spots, and passing into white on the under parts and some portions of the limbs, harmonizes with the background.

The eyes of the giraffe are lustrous and appealing and are so placed that the animal can see behind, in front, and at the sides. These, with his unusually long neck, enable him to get a good view of the distant grassy prairies where enemies may be lurking. He is possessed of two horns or bony prominences which are covered with hairy skin and are only a few inches in length. There is also a dome-shaped protuberance between the eyes which is sometimes called the third horn. Contrary to most horn-bearing animals, the giraffe never sheds his horns but retains them through life. Sir Harry Johnston once obtained a giraffe

from Central Africa which had five horns, but this is believed to be a characteristic of the male only.

Other strange features of the giraffe are his long upper lip, and his long, lolling tongue, sometimes reaching to a length of eighteen inches. The nostrils can be closed to guard against thorns when feeding, and against blowing sand. A peculiarity of the giraffe's teeth is that the canines as well as the incisors are absent in the upper jaw. A short mane, a long tufted tail, and long, slender legs complete the description.

It is seldom necessary for the giraffe to feed on grass or to drink water. When he does, he straddles his forelegs wide apart to get his head down to the ground or to the water. It is in this position that he is often an easy prey to the lions and other animals which like the delicate flavor of his flesh. The lion sneaks up, and before the giraffe can manage his legs for flight, the beast has him. His hind legs are his only weapon, and by kicking fiercely a giraffe has been known to keep vicious attackers at bay. Generally, however, he tries to elude his pursuer by taking flight, being able to develop a speed of thirty miles per hour.

In captivity this animal is amusing, gentle and playful. The first one to be brought to London, England, was delivered to the Zoological Gardens in 1836. Well did Rutimeyer, the Swiss naturalist, describe the queer creature which reaches the astonishing height of nineteen feet as "a most fantastic form of deer."

The long-necked giraffe has a short-necked cousin which inhabits the forests where a long neck would be a nuisance, and where, in any event, it is unnecessary for use as a watch tower. The forest giraffe is adapted to the circumstances of forest life, and he is much smaller than his open-country relative.

A LANGUAGE OF LIGHTS

Used by ships at sea

ALL ships at sea must carry lights at night, and these lights convey a great deal of useful information, both about the ship and the direction in which she is going, or as a sailor would say, the course she is on.

To understand this language of lights it is necessary first of all to know the "port" from the "starboard" side of a ship. Standing on deck and looking forward—"for-ward" as it is called—you will be facing the bows—pronounced "boughs." In this position the starboard is on your right hand and the

port on the left. An aid to remembering this is to say: "We have left port and gone to sea."

Now take a walk around the deck and you will notice that certain fixtures on the starboard side are painted green, while similar ones on the port side are red.

The two most important lights on board are the side lights. As the name implies, these are shown on the ship's side, usually on each side of the bridge. The port light is red and the starboard light is green. These lights must only shine ahead and abeam ("abeam" is the sailor's way of saying at right angles to the ship's side) and must not be visible from astern. Sailing ships carry only these lights, so they are easily seen when approaching. If a sailing vessel meets a steamer, the steamer must give way.

In addition to side lights, a steamer must also carry a light on the foremast, and, if she is over a certain length must show a second white light on the rearmast at least fifteen feet above the forward one. Consequently, when a large steamer is approaching, her two side lights will be visible, and between them two white lights.

Lights are also used as signals if a ship is towing anything or is being towed.

There are "rules of the road" at sea as well as on land; for instance, when ships pass each other, the same color must show on each ship, so it is said:

"Green to green, red to red,
Perfect safety, go ahead."

If a steamer is coming towards another, one of them must get out of the way or there will be a collision. Each skipper must turn to the right, or in nautical language, "turn to starboard." Here is the rule:

"When both lights you see ahead,
Turn to starboard, show your
"red."

THE MARCH OF PROGRESS

Told in paragraphs

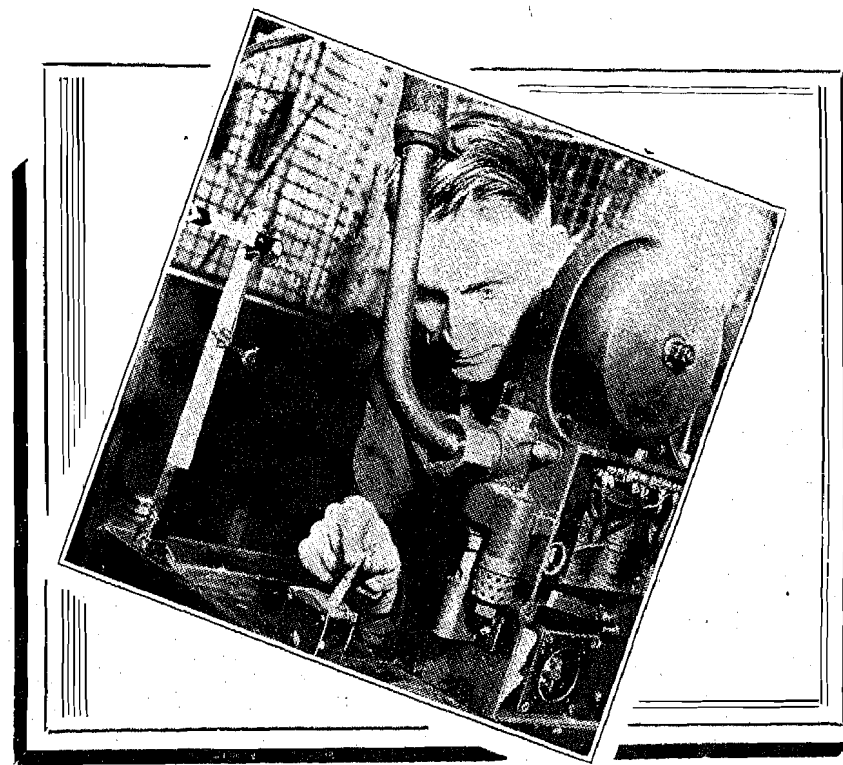
PAPUA is the latest scene of man's search for oil. Parties of geologists are making a survey of 50,000 square miles in West Papua, much of the land being covered with jungle and swamp. Several test bores have been made.

POLAND'S capital, Warsaw, is to be supplied with electricity made by the river on which it stands. A dam is to be built across the Vistula, and a new power plant operated by the harnessed waters will ensure ample electricity supplies for Warsaw and district.

TWENTY-SIX life-boats are being built at Clydebank for the sister ship of the Queen Mary. The boats will have Diesel engines capable of driving them at six or seven knots when loaded. Made of galvanized iron, they will be capable of crossing the Atlantic.

THE Egyptian Government is thinking of installing 2,000 free radio sets in selected villages, to help in the education of the people.

THE highest weather station in the world has been opened up on Sphinx Rock in the Bernese Oberland; it is 11,650 feet up.



An automatic train control for use in foggy weather has been introduced on the Great Western Railway, England. This amazing device picks up sound waves sent out by the signalman and rings a bell in the cab of the engine when all is clear. If there is danger ahead, a siren blows and brakes are automatically applied throughout the train.

Christmas Serenading Stories

IF CHRIST HAD NOT COME

No place for the Christmas idea

By ADJUTANT JOHN WOOD

AN icy wind whipped the whirling snow-flakes into the faces of a handful of serenading Bandmen, as they painfully sounded "The First Noel." Reaching the crescendo chorus the Bandmen were suddenly aware that fresh young voices were accompanying. "Noel, Noel, Noel, Noel, born is the King of Israel." The tune finished, the Bandmen found themselves surrounded by a group of twenty or so young boys. They were Cubs who, having finished their church parade, had delightedly happened upon the serenaders.

Heartened by this impromptu choir the Bandmaster asked them what other carols they knew. "Good King Wenceslas," was one lad's quick retort, and again the boyish trebles were mingled with the playing of the instruments. Blinds in residences were quickly raised, and surprised listeners peered forth into the wintry night to hear the unusual choral effects combined with the Band. From one street-lamp to another the lads went, galloping gleefully ahead of the Bandmen, joining in carol after carol, until the bitter nor'-wester forcibly reminded them that mother would be expecting them home, and they left the Bandmen with cheerful shouts.

This is surely one of the joys of a Salvationist's Christmas. But what if there was no Christmas? Yet Jesus Himself suggested such a thing. "If I had not come . . ." He hinted to His disciples. What if Jesus had not come? Our little boy has just learned that appealing child-carol:

Away in a manger, no crib for His bed,
The little Lord Jesus lay down His sweet head;
The stars in the bright sky looked down where He lay,
The little Lord Jesus—asleep on the hay.

If Jesus had not come there would be no little children lisping these quaint words. No boys joyously singing, "Hark, the herald angels, sing, glory to the new-born King!" No Salvation Army Bands standing on lonely wind-swept corners in outlying districts of cities and towns proclaiming, "Hark the glad sound! The Saviour comes!" No family gatherings, no children hanging up stockings, tripping to their beds thrilling

at the thought that in the ghostly hours Santa Claus will come and in his own magical way fill those stockings until they bulge.

If He had not come! Can you imagine Christmas Day without the merry pealing of bells? And yet why should bells ring if no Saviour had come? Church-goers would hear a despairing sermon from the Old Testament. The minister might say: "My dear friends, once again we have met to bewail the sad fact that Christ has not come. The predictions of the prophets are still unfulfilled. We still look for Him who shall be called 'Wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace.' Still we see no sign of that 'Ruler in Israel' who is to make Bethlehem in Judaea great, whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting. Bethlehem is no more important now than in the day when this prophecy was written. Would that we might see that which Isaiah saw of old, when he cried, 'Arise, shine, for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee . . . Gentiles shall come to Thy light and kings to the brightness of thy rising!'"

With a sigh the minister would close his Bible, but it would be noticed that the volume was strangely thin. Why, of course, it contains only the Old Testament Scriptures, and

the last word in it is "Curse." A doleful anthem from the choir would conclude the service. would conclude the service.

On their way home sad wor-shippers would meet the ruddy-faced Salvation Army Bandmen serenading. If Christ had not come The Salvation Army would have no place or purpose in the world.

But Hallelujah! Jesus has come! "Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea"; the wise men "saw the young child with Mary His Mother," the shepherds "found Mary and Joseph and the babe lying in a manger." The angel of the Lord announced it; the choir of Heaven confirmed it; the whole universe revealed it. The Old Testament ends with "curse," but the New Testament with "grace"—the "grace of our Lord Jesus Christ!" Yes, He has come, and we can sing on this glad Christmas Day—

There's a song in the air!
There's a star in the sky!
There's a mother's deep prayer and
a Baby's low cry!
There's a tumult of joy o'er the won-
derful birth,
For the Virgin's sweet Boy is the
Lord of the earth!

Three Tales of Christmas

By "Serenader"

IT would be an exciting memory test for most people to sit down and recall, one by one, the Christmas Days which have come into their lives; especially to folk who have lived long in one place, for one Christmas would be very like another. But to Army Officers, moving from place to place, with associations of the festive season at particular places it is not so hard. "Remember that Christmas we spent in Pickleville?" we ask, and immediately some half-forgotten incident centreing around the serenading, or the sale of The War Cry or the distribution of gift baskets, comes flickering into the mind, bringing with it a host of other memories.

Three Yules stand out in my mind because each played its part in drawing me nearer to the Christ of Christmas. The first occurred in an Ontario town when I was just entering my teens. In the face of parental kindness and Christian example, I was stubbornly resolved on having nothing to do with The Army and its challenge to be out-and-out for Christ. My feet were treading lightly in self-chosen paths.

Many times my love of the solid harmony of the grand old hymn tunes has drawn my erring soul back to God, and the Holy Spirit was using this method now. It was a perfect Christmas eve, still and frosty, the distant jingle of sleighbells ringing sharply on the crisp air; wheels of a passing buggy creaking protestingly. The spell of Christmas was heavy upon me.

Although I had thrown old Santa Claus into the discard I still revelled in giving and receiving presents, in the glitter of decorations and the sight of plum pudding, and I went to bed with the comfortable realization that a fat volume of "Chums" and other sundries would repose at my bedside next morning. How long I had been asleep, I could not have said (actually the hour was mid-

night), but suddenly I found myself wide awake, aware of the most heavenly music making itself heard a few yards from my head.

I had heard The Army Band dozens of times and had not been unduly impressed, but this was different. Whether it was the magic of the hour, or the rare clarity of the air, or the inspiration of the players, I know not, but the cornet, horn, baritone and euphonium sounded divine. I hopped out of bed and joined the others as they peered out of a window at the young Bandmen clustered under a street lamp, the rays of which glittered alike on silver horn and diamond-like snow. Just four Bandmen doing a little voluntary carolling out of the goodness of their hearts—calling round on all the comrades of the Corps, and yet it made a profound impression upon my young heart, and I finally returned to bed and lay for a long time in a state bordering on ecstasy, compelled to acknowledge, as a result of the carol-playing, the Divine origin of the best of all Festivals.

The second Christmas event occurred a few years later, finding me—incredibly young—overseas in the King's service, not in France, where guns were thundering sullen defiance to the Christmas message of peace, but in England, where, together with a thousand other young hopefuls culled from various Canadian units, we were herded in long huts among the Sussex downs—"under-ages."

I was eking out a miserable existence, far away from home and mother; not permitted to go to "the front," nor to go home, nor do anything else but hang around, putting in the time. The camp was a hot-bed of sin, for who was there to stay the pent-up energy of ten hundred youths, with "pubs" and dens of ini-

quity in the darkened village a fi long away?

My early training created with me a disgust of such goings-on. was far from being converted, a possessed no vital religion to provide the remedy and make my heaven. No wonder I was unhappy. One day all the miseries of I seemed to converge in one black cloud around my head. Everything went wrong. Stumbling along a chalk road leading out of the camp I stood looking down at the ravine, ironically called "Happy Valley," which cleft the hills at that point, striving to keep back the storm that shook me and finding no answer to my grief.

Darkness had come before I grew calmer and returned to the camp convinced that, while prone to blame others, my own unconverted life was the secret of my distress. Reluctantly I sought help in prayer. God was leading me in a hard way. But prayer was answered, and the sun shone once more. I secured leave, and soon, with eager mind took train for quaint old Canterbury, where, with loving relatives and among medieval surroundings spent another Christmas.

The third recollected Christmas stands out as the happiest of all, whole because of the realization that "it was well with my soul." The war, with its khaki mobs, its huts, its other associations, had faded in the background. I had returned home and re-entered the Band (still with the great question of abeyance), and had resumed civil life. Then had come the memorable night—after a host of blunders when I made unconditional surrender to Christ.

What a Christmas season that was! Serenading took on a new meaning to tell others of the "Star of East, the horizon adorning"—to a soul-winner, that was it! The Christmas Eve—Songster serenaded—with each colorful scene etched indelibly on my memory, is what I write. The joy, the goodwill, the fun and frolic (for we were all young people); the puff of fluffy snow, the illumination of the wreath-bedecked windows, cheery good wishes—in short, whole panorama was calculated to instil a feeling of gratitude.

Then the climax! With chaf farewells we separated, and I the young lady who was to become my continual comrade wended way to her home, the way that being beguiled by her many mysterious references to some gift she tended bestowing upon me upon rival. Once there, she quickly placed in my hands a somewhat bulky square package. The flimsy wrappings were quickly removed, and stood gazing at the loveliest Band I had ever handled, emblazoned with the gilt crest of our Organization. Turning the fly-leaf, my eye fell on a verse written in the well-known fine hand—a verse which told me in a flash the secret of former barren years—the match words of Jesus, "Seek ye first kingdom of God and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."

